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## THE EDITOR'S CORNER

SOME time ago, Mr. Harold W. Gilbert, who possesses the enviable gift of being able to write informatively and entertainingly on such a weighty matter as Church Music, entitled an article "Change and Decay." . . . In it he pointed out that the two words sometimes mean the same thing, that decay is a change in the state of matter or condition; and that change often prevents decay. . .

There is no better place to observe both the decay that changes and the change that forestalls it than on a farm or in one's garden . . . or in the publication of a periodical . . .

We were raised on a middle western farm, where we witnessed those ever recurring changes and observed their effects . . . We have witnessed and observed in the publication world . . . That is why we make changes now and then in the pages of THE NEWS . . .

But the change that never ceases to be wonderful to us is that wrought by God's magic in the earth in spring-time . . . The decay of the seeds' protective covering permits new life to break through and cover the land with a soft green mantle, dotted with contrasting beauty of flowers . . .

Easter's approach brings added emphasis to new life . . . And the Lenten Season is the time when the change begins . . .

We are all looking forward to happy changes . . . May they come to you is our wish for a "Joyous Easter" . . .

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**OBJECT** 1. To promote Unity of Diocesan Life by disseminating news of the Diocese, its institutions, parishes and missions, and by printing letters and pastorals by the Bishop from time to time. 2. To promote the Missionary and Benevolent Work of the Diocese by publishing reports and appeals, and by recording current news and events.



# The Bishop's Message

THIS issue of THE CHURCH NEWS comes at mid-Lent. That to me has always seemed a most important time. I feel as though I am standing on a hill. I look back and see the days of this holy season through which I have passed. I see my successes and my failures. I turn and look forward and see the opportunities that God still holds out before me. I can gain helpful lessons from the past and guard against the repetitions of my failures. I can almost feel as though a new book was opened, and I was told to take a second start, with all the benefits of my past experience. I hope everyone will have that joyous and optimistic feeling at this time.

The next Sunday is Passion Sunday. At the last revision of the Prayer Book, Lent was divided into two parts. The first four weeks were especially devoted to denials, that we might gain power over ourselves.

Beginning with the Fifth Sunday in Lent, the season is called Passiontide. Our Lord was crucified on the fourteenth day of the month of Nisan; and this Sunday is approximately the beginning of that month. It is a solemn season, when we look away from ourselves and see the love and sacrifice of the Master. With Palm Sunday we find Him at the height of popularity. He has tried parable, miracle and wonders of love. His last appeal will be to the eye. He enacts the prophecy of Zechariah, "Behold Thy King cometh unto thee, lowly and seated upon an ass." Sending two of His disciples He procures this lowly beast of burden and seating Himself on it, the masses recognize the prophecy and tearing down the palms and willows, they strew them in the way. The more enthusiastic throw their garments in the way. As a turn of the road is made, and they see the golden dome of the temple reflecting back the sun, their enthusiasm reaches its height and they cry, "Blessed is the King that cometh in the name of the Lord." Monday and Tuesday He labors in the temple, retiring at night to Bethany. Wednesday and Thursday He spends in the quiet of the home of Lazarus. Thursday night He eats the Passover with His disciples and afterward institutes the Blessed Sacrament.

Later on He is apprehended in the garden and taken before the High Priest and Pilate. All night He is undergoing this torture and in the morning Pilate declares, "I find no fault in this man," yet turns Him over to the mob to be crucified.

We have the painful walk to Golgotha and the three hours hanging on the Cross, where His patience and love were such that a Centurian, who had many times witnessed crucifixions, cried out, "Truly this man was the Son of God." Here we have the crucifixion, the very supreme crime of the world; and the crucified Saviour the supreme gift to the world. So that we do not call the day "Black Friday," but "Good Friday." As we look at the scene we cry:

O love of God! O son of man!

In this dread act your strength is tried;

And victory remains with love;

For Thou, our Lord, art crucified!

Then we have the quiet of Good Friday night and Easter Even. But then, there breaks a yet more glorious day.

The Saviour rises from the tomb, for it was impossible that He should be holden of death. The instinct and aspiration of mankind is answered. Tennyson cries:

"My own dim life should teach me this,

That life shall live forevermore;

Else earth is darkness at the core,

And dust and ashes all that is.

What then were God to such as I?

'Twere hardly worth my while to choose

Of things all mortal, or to use

A little patience ere I die;

'Twere best at once to sink to peace,

Like birds the charming serpent draws,

To drop head foremost in the jaws

Of vacant darkness and to cease."

St. Paul dispels the gloom in his glorious cry: "If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable. But now is Christ risen from the dead and become the first fruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive."

We have a "Merry Christmas" greeting. The early Christians had an Easter greeting. As friends met, one said, "The Lord is risen," and the other responded, "He is risen indeed." What joy that brought to them! What joy it brings to us!



THE RT. REV. FRANCIS  
M. TAITT, S.T.D.

*Francis M. Taitt*



# Executive Secretary's Page

THE Diocese of Pennsylvania is losing a good friend in the retirement of Drexel and Co. from the field of deposit banking. One only has to look at the overdrafts carried by the Diocese during the last ten years to really know the value of that friendship. We are most fortunate that it is happening now rather than a year ago. We had an overdraft then of over \$9,000, and it would not have been an easy matter to find a bank that would or could take our accounts. Fortunately, we adopted a new method of handling our accounts last year, resulting in a sharp drop in our overdrafts, and as we go looking for a new banking home, we go with a substantial cash balance in our hand. It makes a difference.

When we are speaking of overdrafts in the bank, there is one thing we must bear in mind. For years there has been an overdraft of approximately \$8,000 carried in the old Diocesan Campaign Fund. About a year ago Mr. Lardner Howell, Chairman of the Department of Property, undertook to eliminate this overdraft, by selling a number of old properties representing a \$22,000 investment, the sole capital balance in the Campaign Fund. These properties were in bad need of repairs, the neighborhoods had run down in the last ten years, some of them were not rented and not rentable without heavy repair expenditures. Mr. Howell worked very hard, and finally succeeded in effecting the sale of all these properties. Sufficient money was realized so that the overdraft would be repaid, and a small balance remain.

It is rather difficult to find out from the Journals when we started banking with Drexel and Co. When the Executive Council was organized in 1920, Mr. Arthur Newbold was the Treasurer and the present system of accounting and vouchers was set up with Drexel and Co. as our bank. Mr. Richard Ormiston, former Church House sexton, is our authority for the statement that when he started working for the Diocese about forty-five years ago, and during the time that Mr. Benjamin Godfrey was Treasurer of the Diocese, we banked with the City Trust Company. Perhaps some day we shall be able to give the names and tenures of all our Diocesan Treasurers.

The matter of Diocesan overdrafts now is serious. The only way we can avoid this unpleasantness is for EVERY treasurer and accounting warden to play ball and send in ONE-TWELFTH of the missionary expectation EACH month.



## TO ALL ACCOUNTING WARDENS AND TREASURERS

Please reserve the dates, May 18 and 19. This is very important, and we shall let you know the details later.



The Clergy gave such fine co-operation to the Field Department in 1939 that we feel much encouragement for 1940. We take this opportunity to thank the Clergy and to remind them that they will shortly receive a request from Dr. Gates for the name of their Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen for the Canvass of 1940. Will the Clergy please undertake now to make the proper appointments, as we must have these names no later than April 1st.



Dr. Lewis B. Franklin, Treasurer of the National Council, tells the following story:

In a Vestry Conference he was conducting, one vestryman objected strenuously to the suggestion that the members of the Church should be asked to pledge in the Every Member Canvass in accordance with their means, or on a proportionate giving basis. "What I give is entirely between me and my God," he said with much vehemence. His pledge was seventy-five cents per week.

After the meeting Dr. Franklin was taken to the station in the limousine of that same vestryman. Sitting with Oscar, the chauffeur, he asked him about his church. "I belong to the United Brethren," said Oscar. "And do you give regularly to your church?" asked Dr. Franklin. "Oh, yes!" was the reply. "I give three dollars every week and my wife gives two."

Five dollars a week from the chauffeur on the front seat, seventy-five cents from the gentleman in the rear. Truly in both cases, giving was a matter between a man and his God.



One of the most beautiful Christian virtues is Humility. One does not see very much of it as a rule. But to be convinced that it does exist, read the following correspondence. Of course, initials and names have been changed.

*Letter addressed to the Executive Secretary, Church House:*

"Dear Sir:—

"This is from an old shut-in, and as my Heavenly Father has been very kind to me in the year that has gone, and sent me a little gift, I am sending in the enclosed for the Church in China, praying GOD to bless it to some soul for Jesus' sake.

"Yours in Christ,  
"A. B. C."

*The Executive Secretary ascertained the parish nearest the place indicated on the post mark and addressed the following letter to its rector:*

"Dear ————:

"I must write a letter to a person who merely signs her initials A. B. C. I wonder if she might be a parishioner of yours, and, if she is, will you please send me her name and address.

"Yours sincerely,  
"F. P. H."

*The Rector's reply:*

"Dear F. P. H.:

"The initials you mention indicate the name of Mrs. ————. She is aged, honest and kindly, and is a member of this parish. Hope to see you at the alumni dinner.

"Sincerely yours,  
"X. Y. Z."

*To the kindly old lady, we wrote:*

"Dear Mrs. ————:

"This will acknowledge the receipt of your nice letter of January 2d, with its enclosure of three dollars for the Missionary work of our Church in China.

"I am enclosing you a formal receipt for the same, and the thanks of Bishop Taitt for your kindness.

"With all kind personal regards, I am

"Sincerely yours,  
"F. P. H."

"P. S. You see, in spite of your modesty, I was able to learn your identity."

*Her reply:*

"To F. P. H. Dear sir:

"I could not help laughing when I got your letter, for I thought that GOD knew, and that was enough for me.

"My spelling is not any too good, and I hope that you will excuse it and my blunders. You see, I am an old woman. I shall be 82 this coming March. My girl and I like to do our little bit, and as she did not know I had sent in my tithe, did she not laugh at me when your letter came.

"Please excuse your old friend.  
"A. B. C."

FREDERICK P. HOUGHTON.



# Landscape Plans for Our Cathedral

**Students of Six Major Schools  
Submitted Solutions to Problem  
Presented by Roxborough Grounds**

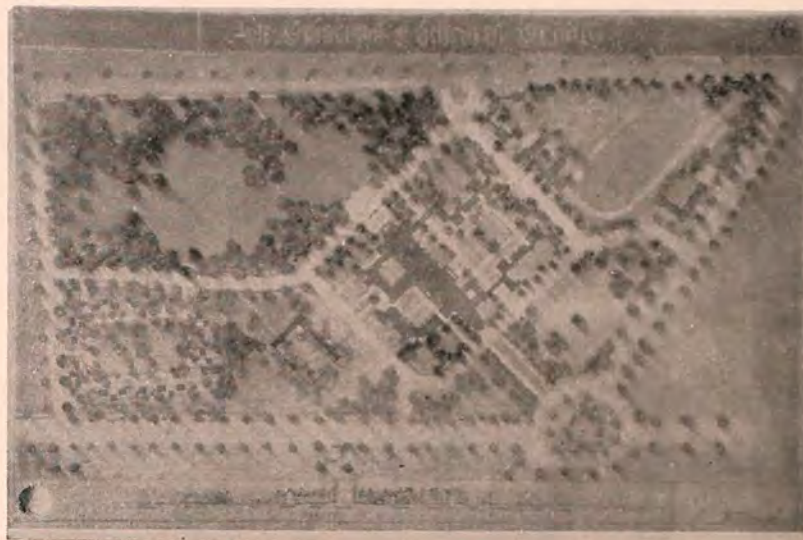
**T**HIRTY-ONE students, representing six colleges and universities, recently entered drawings in a competition based on the problem of landscaping the grounds of the Pennsylvania Cathedral, Upper Roxborough. The plans were exhibited at the University of Pennsylvania, one of the participating schools, where they were judged by the following authorities:

Frank R. Watson, architect of the Cathedral; Charles Downing Lay, New York, president of the New York Chapter, American Society of Landscape Architects; Markley Stevenson, Philadelphia, member of the firm of Wheelwright & Stevenson, landscape architects, who worked on landscape plans for the Cathedral with Frank R. Watson, Edkins and Thompson in 1931; Dean George S. Koyl, School of Fine Arts, University of Pennsylvania, and Professors Robert Wheelwright and Frank A. Schrepfer, Department of Landscape Architecture, School of Fine Arts.

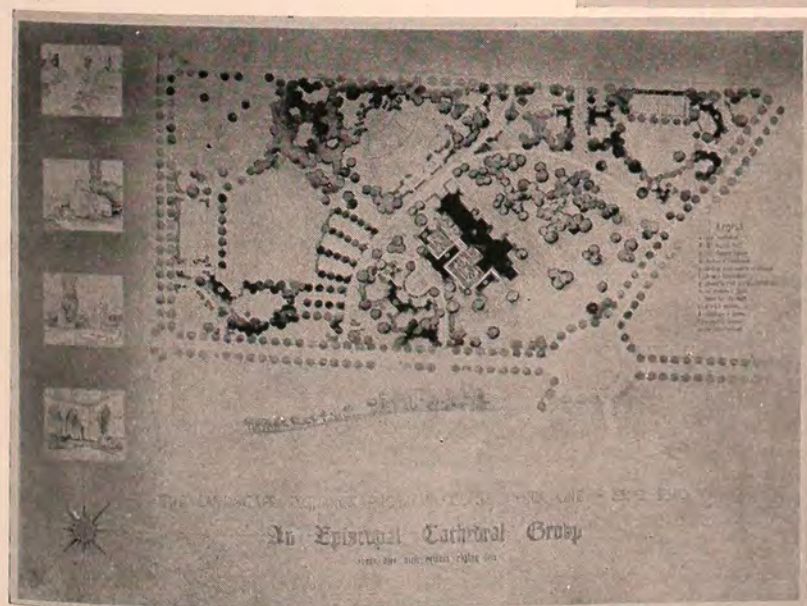
Schools from which solutions were submitted were Iowa State College, Massachusetts State College, Ohio State University, and the Universities of Cincinnati, Illinois and Pennsylvania. Six gold seals and eleven blue seals were awarded and the plans were sent on a traveling exhibit to the participating schools.

The drawings reproduced here represent two of the award winners, one by

→  
Plan submitted by  
R. D. Carpenter,  
Massachusetts State  
College



←  
Plan submitted by  
E. Thelka Widen-  
meyer, University of  
Pennsylvania



←  
This plan was  
chosen because it  
provided an outdoor  
amphitheatre

R. D. Carpenter, of Massachusetts State College, the other by E. Thelka Widenmeyer, of the University of Pennsylvania. The third drawing, which did not receive an award, was chosen because it was the only one that included an outdoor amphitheatre, which was part of Bishop Garland's dream of the finished Cathedral. That drawing also was distinguished by marginal perspective sketches of certain details of the general scheme.

The problems presented within the main problem included the inter-relationships of the various buildings in the Cathedral plan; a road plan and provision for ample parking accommodations for the Cath-

edral congregation and for ceremonial occasions; a large view terrace at the West Portal and pleasant promenades around the grounds; an existing War Memorial Shrine and its placement; certain garden facilities, especially the Bishop's garden; and play areas for the schools. Above all, a final plan was sought which would show logical arrangement, good architectural relationships and a regard for the relation of buildings, roads, walks, terraces and such man-made structures to the existing shape of the ground and in relation to views and such proposed plantations of trees as would create a landscape of outstanding beauty.

"Another aspect of the problem not to be overlooked," said Dean Koyl, "is that

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Left to right: Rev. Canon James H. Jacobson, new student pastor at the University of Pennsylvania; Percival H. Granger, president of the Church Club, and William W. Naramore, Jr., national secretary of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, at the dinner given by the Church Club in Canon Jacobson's honor on February 1. The affair was held at the Christian Association, 36th and Locust Streets

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## EPIPHANY, GTN., SERVES AS A CLINIC IN NATION-WIDE SURVEY OF CHURCH NEEDS

A six months' survey just completed by Epiphany Church, Germantown, picked as a "typical suburban church," sets forth the faults and needs of the Church and the community. The church is one of forty throughout the country serving as clinics for the National Council in its efforts to discover weaknesses in the program of religious education and methods of improving such instruction.

A local committee comprised of the Rev. J. Wesley Twelves, rector of Epiphany Church; the Rev. Frederick E. Seymour, St. George's, Ardmore; the Rev. Charles Martin, chairman of the diocesan Department of Religious Education, and the Very Rev. Charles E. Eder, dean of the Convocation of Germantown, together with committees of religious education workers of the Diocese and the National Council, have been evaluating the results of the survey.

The findings of the parish survey committee and deliberations of the various parish organizations were summed up recently in a six-hour congregational session, the highlights of which follow:

"The public schools do not answer the recreational needs of the children adequately, raising the problem of whether the Church should offer something to keep them off the streets."

[The committee suggested keeping school playgrounds and gymnasiums open after hours.]

"Activities for young people seldom have flourished for long in the parish because of the changing character of the population; lack of proper leadership; varied social opportunities outside the Church; indifference of parents to the Church, and the reduced birth rate."

"Curricula of the public schools should be considered when planning the Church School curriculum. Biblical geography and Church history should be in relation to what has been studied at school and Church history taught by heroes instead of by dates."

"More religious books in the public libraries—requests and suggestions should be given to the librarians."

The committee concluded that "the social attitude of the people of the community and of the parish is rather conservative, mostly self-satisfied, and primarily interested in its own welfare and material advance."

The following observations reflect a study of Church, Church School and social activity trends:

"Active in parish organizations—32 per cent of the women and 15 per cent of the men. In city or community organizations—25 per cent of the women and 10 per cent of the men."

"Forty per cent of the men and 20 per cent of the women in the parish are college graduates. Two-thirds of the children are enrolled in public schools, one-third in private schools."

"Needs" of the parish were reported by age groups as follows:

**PARENTS' GROUP**—Closer co-operation of the parents with Sunday school teachers; Sunday school at the same hour as the Church service, instead of at an earlier hour, with children staying for the first part of the Church service, and a family service in the Church once every two months; report cards in the Sunday school and a magazine published by the pupils; a library of religious books, and formation of a parents' committee on selection.

**OLDER PERSONS' GROUP**—Community singing, dramatics, discussion groups, and badminton and table tennis tournaments, aimed particularly to attract those between 25 and 50 in the community.

**YOUNG PEOPLE'S GROUP (17 to 25)**—More opportunity for parish service such as a community canvass for more young people and children, doing repairs and renovation about the church premises, study of housing and social work, and supervised recreation.

**CHILDREN'S GROUP (10 to 14 and 15 to 21)**—A student government for the parish school, children's choir and singing lessons, teachers early and more regular in attendance.

Having summed up the findings, the congregation met a week later and formed the Parish Council, the directing organization in the carrying out of the planned program. The Council consists of eighteen

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## DR. MOCKRIDGE RESIGNS AS ST. JAMES'S RECTOR

The resignation of the Rev. John C. H. Mockridge, D.D., as sixth rector of 131-year-old St. James's Church was announced to the congregation on Sunday, February 11, at the 11 o'clock service. Simultaneously it was announced that the vestry had elected the Rev. Benjamin R. Priest, associate rector, to succeed Dr. Mockridge when his resignation becomes effective October 1.

Close friends and intimate associates of Dr. Mockridge were not surprised when he announced his plan to retire after more than twenty-five years as rector, since the change had been under consideration for some time. He will reach retirement age on his 68th birthday, September 8.

Since February 6 he has been in the University of Pennsylvania Hospital, where he underwent an operation on February 13. Physicians at the hospital report him improving daily. His 25th anniversary observance has been postponed from March 13 to April 7.

The vestry of St. James's has granted Dr. Mockridge leave of absence from March 1. His plans after that time are somewhat nebulous, and will depend largely upon the length and the outcome of his illness.

Dr. Mockridge became rector of historic St. James's in 1915 after having served parishes in Toronto, Detroit, Louisville, Ky., and New York City. Twice before coming to Philadelphia and twice since he has been a deputy to the General Convention.

For many years he served as president of the Board of Trustees of Episcopal Academy, in which post he was succeeded recently by Thomas Hart. He also has served as a member of the Board of Overseers of Philadelphia Divinity School.

Dr. Mockridge's rectorship of St. James's has been marked by many innovations in his endeavor to keep his church in step with the times. He was one of the first clergymen in Philadelphia to recognize that the church must fit itself to the rapidly changing economic and social conditions, and that the mandate applied most strongly to churches located, as is St. James's, in the heart of a large city.

In the Spring of 1930, Dr. Mockridge, at the request of the late Bishop Garland, assumed oversight of St. Elisabeth's Church, in addition to his own parish duties. He relinquished his charge there after eighteen months. Three years later he accepted the rectorship of St. Mary's, Hamilton Village, and directed the work at that parish as well as St. James's, until the election of the present rector of St. Mary's, the Rev. William B. Stimson, in 1937.

The Rev. Benjamin R. Priest, elected to succeed Dr. Mockridge, will do so on the second anniversary of his joining the staff of St. James's, by coincidence the date on which his election and Dr. Mockridge's resignation become effective.

A native of Massachusetts, Fr. Priest was trained for the ministry under the

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## MRS. S. F. HOUSTON

The death of Mrs. Samuel F. Houston, wife of one of the Church's outstanding laymen, occurred on February 23 as this issue of THE CHURCH NEWS was being prepared for the press. A complete memorial to Mrs. Houston will appear in the April issue.

## SWARTHMORE RECTOR MARKS ANNIVERSARY

The Rev. J. Jarden Guenther celebrated the tenth anniversary of his rectorship of Trinity, Swarthmore, on Sunday, February 4.

Under his administration, which began in 1930 when the church property consisted of a small wooden chapel seating about 35, Trinity parish has grown to a communicant strength of more than 400. Within two years after his rectorship began, the present stone church building, seating 225, had been erected at a cost of \$47,000. In the last ten years the parish has raised some \$140,000 for parochial and missionary purposes.

Mr. Guenther enjoys a wide popularity on the campus of Swarthmore College, whose students make Trinity Church a center of their religious life, assisting in the Church School and holding their freshman and international student suppers there.

A graduate of Haverford College, Mr. Guenther studied law at the University of Pennsylvania for two years and attended Princeton Theological School, before entering Philadelphia Divinity School, where he was graduated in 1925, receiving his master's degree three years later. He was ordained in 1925 by the late Bishop Garland and served at the Church of the Saviour and at St. Paul's, Overbrook, until he was called to Swarthmore.

Since 1934 he has been secretary of the Department of Religious Education, and he has served on various other diocesan commissions and committees.

## ALINE CRONSHEY TELLS OF MOUNTAIN MISSIONS

Miss Aline Cronshey, an Episcopal missionary among the mountain folk at Bat Cave, N. C., and in the surrounding territory recently visited Philadelphia to fill half a score of engagements to describe the work she carries on among the picturesque people to whom she ministers.

Before going to her present post, Miss Cronshey, a native of Morris Plains, N. J., and a graduate of the New Jersey College for Women and Columbia University, worked for several years among the Indians of North Dakota and filled temporary assignments in Nevada and in Southern Virginia. She has been at Bat Cave since 1938.



The new Annunciation window presented to St. Paul's Church, Chester, by the Bishop and the Very Rev. Stanley V. Wilcox, rector, in loving memory of their mothers, will be dedicated Sunday morning, March 10. The window was designed and executed by Henry Lee Willet Studios

## DEAN WILCOX JOINS BISHOP IN GIFT TO CHURCH ON ANNIVERSARY AS RECTOR

The tenth anniversary of the rectorship of the Very Rev. Stanley V. Wilcox was celebrated at St. Paul's Church, Chester, on Sunday, February 11. The Very Rev. Albert Glenn Richards, D.D., dean of DuBose Memorial Church Training School, Monteagle, Tenn., preached at the 10.30 A. M. service when a new memorial stained glass window was unveiled. The window is the gift of the Bishop and the rector in loving memory of their mothers, Elizabeth Conway Taitt and Ellen Squire Wilcox. The window will be dedicated Sunday morning, March 10.

While the main theme of the window is the Annunciation, the whole concept of Christian motherhood is portrayed in minor scenes and details of the window.

In the central lancet is shown the Virgin Mary receiving the announcement in wistful wonderment. The Angel Gabriel, in the left hand lancet, calls up before her mind the vision shown in the right hand panel of the man-child whose name shall be called "Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace."

The small insert at the top of the left lancet shows King David seated upon a lion, symbolic of Christ's royal lineage. Above Mary there is depicted the visitation of Mary to Elizabeth, "Hail Mary full of grace," while in the small scene above, the young Christ Child is shown receiving instruction at his mother's knee.

Further aspects of true Christian motherhood are brought out in the small predella subjects. At the left is Hannah bringing the young Samuel to Eli, the high priest, to consecrate his life to the ministry, while on the right is the young Timothy being brought up by his mother and

grandmother in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

The window is carried out in the best traditions of stained glass—decorative without affecting archaism or grotesqueness. Neither pictorial aspects nor the copying of vain repetitious medieval forms has been indulged in.

The window is the work of the Henry Lee Willet Studios, Philadelphia.

At the evening service the Rev. Spence A. Dunbar, former Curate at St. Paul's, preached, and the choir of the Memorial Church of St. Paul, 15th and Porter Streets, the rector's former charge, joined with the parish choirs.

Others who took part in the service were the Rev. Albert E. Wilcox, assistant at St. Paul's; the Rev. Charles H. Urban, and the Rev. Thomas A. Meryweather, former assistants at St. Paul's; the Rev. Nelson W. Rightmyer, of Chester, now rector of St. Peter's Church, Lewes, Del., and the Rev. Thomas Parker, rector of the Memorial Church of St. Paul, 15th and Porter Streets.

## REV. ALBERT E. WILCOX CHOSEN FOR NORWOOD

The Rev. Albert E. Wilcox, brother of the Very Rev. Stanley V. Wilcox, rector of St. Paul's Church, Chester, where he has served as curate since he was ordered deacon in 1937, has been appointed vicar of St. Stephen's Church, Norwood. He will take charge April 1.

Mr. Wilcox's immediate predecessor at St. Stephen's is the Rev. John R. Diehl, who recently went to New York as assistant.

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The third annual recital for St. John's Settlement House, 1332 North 12th Street, will be given by the Misses Wendy and Betty Woodward, here pictured with St. John's Settlement Orchestra and its instructor, A. Kamin-sky, Tuesday, March 12, at 8:30 P.M., in Ethical Culture Auditorium, 1906 Rittenhouse Square. The orchestra will also be heard at that time.

THE forty-seven-year-old Men's Club of St. John the Evangelist's Church, Lansdowne, held a successful Ladies' Night, with dinner and entertainment, in the parish house on February 19 in connection with its annual meeting. The retiring president, Blair N. Reiley, Jr., presided. Entertainment included a group of songs by a male chorus and a Dr. I. Q. quiz, followed by a parody on "Information, Please!" in which the aides to Dr. I. Q. were put through a gruelling intelligence test by the audience.

The new officers of the club are:

T. Cassin Davis, president; Blair N. Reiley, Jr., first vice-president; Wilson B. Harkins, second vice-president; Charles A. Wooster, third vice-president, and Charles A. Meurer, secretary and treasurer.

The Rev. William P. C. Loane, rector of Incarnation, Drexel Hill, exhibited his thrilling natural-color motion pictures of Mexico in the parish house of Calvary Church, Conshohocken, on March 1. The showing was sponsored by the Young People's Fellowship, who gave the net proceeds toward their pledge for a new Rood-beam in the chapel at the Home for Consumptives, Chestnut Hill.

Instead of the Three Hours' Agony on Good Friday, the three-hour service at St. George's, Ardmore, this year will comprise three distinct services, beginning at noon, 1 P. M. and 2 P. M., each of which will include a brief address followed by prayers and meditations or secret intercessions. The 12 o'clock service will be the order for Morning Prayer, with the Psalter, First and Second Lessons, Te Deum, Benedictus, Creed and Collects. At 1 P. M. there will be the Litany and the Order for Holy Communion without the celebration of the Eucharist. From 2 to 3 P. M. the Order for Evening Prayer will be used. Appropriate hymns will intersperse the services.

### St. George's, Ardmore, Conducts Lenten School

On the premise that the Church is definitely a school of religion, the Rev. Frederick E. Seymour, rector of St. George's, Ardmore, is conducting classes in various subjects almost daily throughout Lent.

The schedule of classes follows:

Sundays, 8:00 P. M.—The Bible.

Tuesdays, 3:00 P. M.—The Church.

Wednesdays, 8:00 P. M.—Christian Life.

Thursdays, 10:30 A. M.—Church Worship.

Saturdays, 10:15 A. M. — Christian Knowledge.

The Saturday classes are for children and are held in the chapel.

The parish supper at St. Mary Pro-Cathedral, Broad and South Streets, on March 27 will be followed by an organ recital by Alfred G. Ainley and an address by the Ven. William T. Sherwood, Archdeacon of Altoona and rector of Trinity Church, Tyrone, who has made a special study of Cuba, its people and the missions of the Church in that turbulent island republic.

Every Wednesday throughout Lent hot luncheons are being served in Neighborhood House, at Christ Church, for the convenience of those attending the noon-day services. The project, under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary, is directed by Miss E. Jane Jordan. The luncheon is served both before and after the services, which begin at 12:25 P. M. and end at 12:50 P. M.

An all-day institute with "Christ and the World Community" as its study topic will be conducted at St. Thomas', White-marsh, on Tuesday, March 5, by Mrs. Frank W. Bonyng. The sessions will begin at 10:30 A. M. and continue to 3 P. M. in the parish house. Luncheon will be served at noon.

# Diocesan Reporter's Notebook

## A Brief Digest of Interesting Happenings Gleaned from Parishes, Missions, Chapels, Institutions

A weekly soup kitchen is being operated during Lent by the Woman's Auxiliary of St. Faith's Mission, Brookline. Each Thursday until 1 P. M. soup may be purchased at the parish house at 25 cents a quart.

The Rev. Frank D. Scott, D.D., Professor of English Bible and Religious Education at Beaver College, was the guest speaker at the evening service on the First Sunday in Lent, February 11, at the Church of Our Saviour, Jenkintown.

The Rev. Alexander N. Keedwell, former rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Kensington, has been appointed temporary relief assistant at St. James's Church, 22d and Walnut Streets.

The Rev. Albert E. Wilcox, brother of the Very Rev. Stanley V. Wilcox, rector of St. Paul's, Chester, was the guest preacher at the Wednesday evening Lenten service on February 14 at St. John the Evangelist, Lansdowne. That was the night of the "blizzard," and only six persons braved the storm to attend the service. The Rev. Charles E. Tuke, D.D., rector, and Rev. Olin B. G. Lager, curate, sat in the nave and swelled the congregation to eight. Organist and "choir" brought the total to ten.

Lenten preachers scheduled for this month at St. Barnabas, Haddington, are the Rev. Percy G. Hall, St. Martin's, Oak Lane, March 7; Rev. Crosswell McBee, D.D., St. David's, Radnor, March 14, and Rev. Charles S. Martin, Redeemer, Bryn Mawr, March 21.

At its meeting in Neighborhood House on February 1 the recently formed group known as Men of Christ Church initiated a plan for reducing unemployment in the parish. A survey will be made to ascertain as exactly as possible actual conditions and what agencies are now actively engaged in their alleviation. When the survey has been completed, the findings of the committee in charge will be made the basis of a definite campaign to find jobs and to fit men and women into them.



## THE CHURCHWOMAN'S CLUB PROGRAM

All meetings are held on Tuesday evenings at 7:45 o'clock in the club rooms, 134 South 22nd Street. Club members and their friends are cordially invited.

### March 5

Address—Rev. Frederick P. Houghton, D.D., Executive Secretary, Diocese of Pennsylvania.

### March 12

Address—Rev. Alfred M. Smith, chaplain, Eastern Penitentiary

### March 19

Holy Week—No program.

### March 26

Motion Pictures of Alaska by courtesy of Canadian National Railways.

## Two More Services In Diocesan Series

Two opportunities remain to attend the Diocesan Preaching Mission on Thursday evenings at 8 o'clock in the Church of the Holy Trinity, 19th and Walnut Streets.

The service on March 7 will be sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary and the preacher will be the Rev. Charles Lincoln Taylor, Jr., Th.D., Professor of Old Testament, Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass.

On March 14 the Rev. Paul S. Atkins, D.D., rector of St. John's Church, York, and honorary Canon of St. Stephen's Cathedral, Harrisburg, will be the preacher. Canon Atkins is an outstand-

ing authority on education and social service as well as the author of a notable book, "The Challenge of Present-Day Preaching." This service will be sponsored by the Church Club.

## Hard Winter Keeps St. Matthew's Busy

The severity of this Winter has made the Free Clothing Bureau conducted by St. Matthew's Church, 18th Street and Girard Avenue, unusually active, filling urgent calls for overcoats, children's

clothing, quilts and blankets, shoes, layettes, and even toys.

The Clothing Bureau is another enterprise through which the rector of St. Matthew's, the Rev. C. Herbert Reese, is making the church a real refuge and source of physical as well as spiritual comfort to the people to whom he ministers.

St. Faith's Mission, Brookline, is using the partly printed paper produced by the National Council as the basis of its Church School paper each Sunday. The inside is a duplication of the notes contained in the weekly parish bulletin. The cover contains photographs and news of the missionary work of the whole Church, with special emphasis on religious education.

## Nashotah Dean to Speak in St. Luke's, Germantown

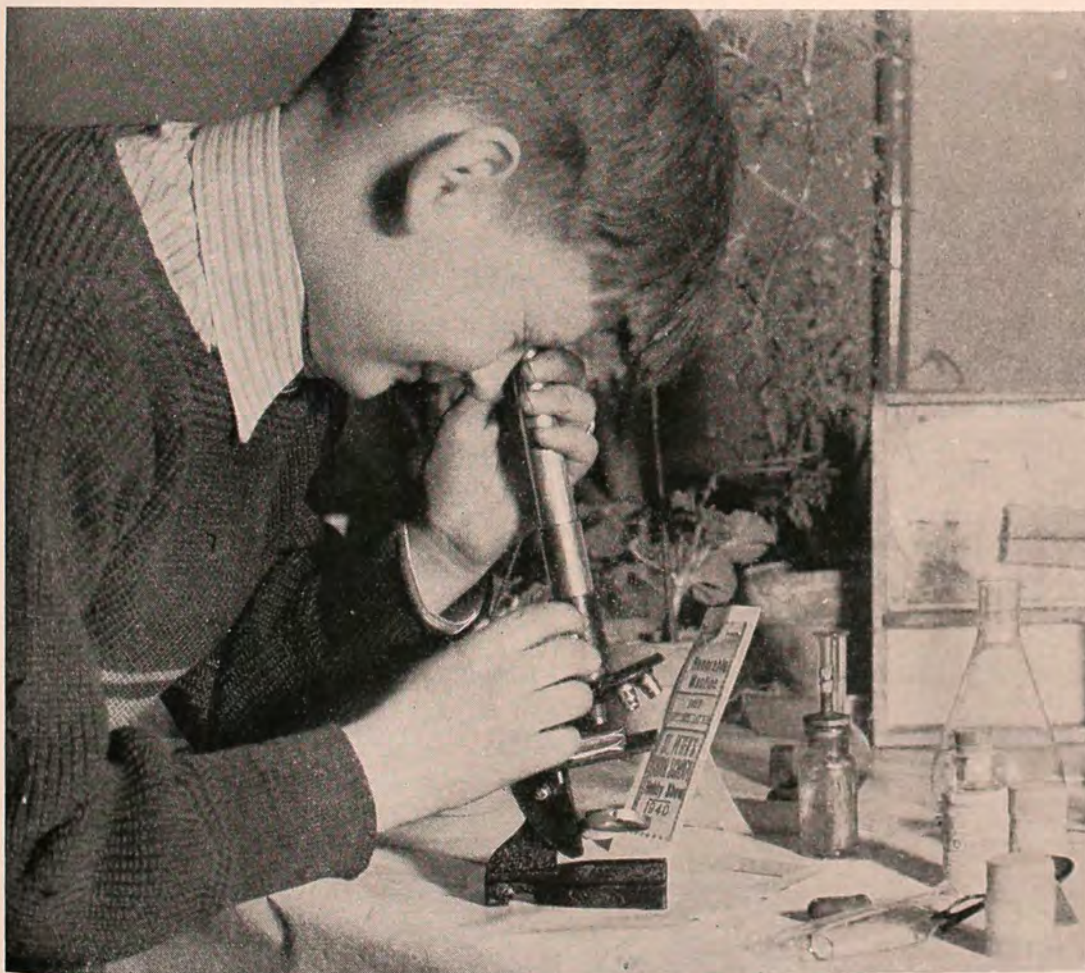
The Very Rev. Edmonson J. M. Nutter, D.D., dean of the faculty and president of Nashotah House, Nashotah, Wis., is scheduled to preach at the three-hour service on Good Friday at St. Luke's, Germantown. The Rev. Wallace E. Conkling, rector of St. Luke's, last Fall visited Nashotah and conducted a seminar on spiritual healing. Dean Nutter, a native of England and a graduate of Leeds University, has been head of Nashotah House since 1925.

Microscopy and chemistry were the interesting hobbies demonstrated by Allen Whartonby, chorister, in the biennial Hobby Show of St. Peter's Choir School, 319 Lombard Street, on February 15 and 16

Church News Photo



A new pipe organ, five choir pews and a new pulpit have greatly enhanced the beauty of the Church of the Advent, Kennett Square, as indicated in the photograph above. They were dedicated on December 10 by the Very Rev. Stanley V. Wilcox, Dean of the Chester Convocation. The rector is the Rev. William O. Bellis





# Editorials

## THE WIDOW'S MITES

WE sometimes forget that the widow's mite was not one coin, but two, and that it would be more accurate to speak of her contribution as the widow's "mites"; the reason for Our Lord's commendation being that she could have kept one for herself and didn't, but gave both. That, of course, is the very opposite of the common conception of "mites" as spare change. It was not her spare change that she gave, but all her living.

Our mite boxes in use in Lent were named after this good widow's offering. We wonder what would happen if our children should treat them in the same way and put in "all their living." What in the world would the National Council do with it all?

But there is no danger. Indeed, the same "mite" has become so divorced from the original story that now the higher-ups in the world of religious education seem almost afraid to call these little Lenten boxes "mite boxes." If they only could make people understand what "mite" signifies—one's all—they would print it in large letters on every box.

Let's suggest something to adults—fathers and mothers. Suppose you put in your child's mite-box on one day in Lent *all your living* for that day—all it would take to keep you one day. That would be a real "widow's mite."

## RESEARCH AND RESURRECTION

EVERY war, because of its terrible toll of human lives, heightens anew man's interest in immortality, and awakens an imperative demand in many hearts for tangible assurance of life beyond the grave. There is no reason to suppose that this war will be any different in that respect from its predecessors.

And if men and women in the agony of separation shall plead for some real evidence that their shattered dead still survive, can this generation offer them any more assistance than the last? Or, if it does present what is called "scientific" proof of immortality, will it be any more satisfying to mourners than the vacant chaff that spiritualism offered to men twenty years ago?

It would seem not. For Harry Price, of the University of London, who has just published a report of his fifty years of psychical research, reaches only this poor conclusion, "that a portion of us, our ego, or personality, or a part of our intelligence persists after death and can be picked up by a suitable mind attuned to the emanation."

That is hardly an assurance of Christian immortality, for the very idea of *Christian* immortality is that the life beyond the grave is not a fragment of the earthly life rescued from extinction, but rather a new, full life, far richer and better than the earthly life. Mr. Price would make this present life more complete than the future life, which is the exact opposite of St. Paul's conception of "the glory that shall be revealed in us." It is the earthly life that is a broken arc, the heavenly life is a perfect round.

So spiritualism's contribution to the idea of immortality is no more satisfactory than the ancient Jewish idea of the immortality of the race, or the modern idea of the immortality of one's influence, as in George Elliot's poem, "O may I join the choir invisible of those immortal dead who live again in lives made better by their presence."

Spiritualism, however, makes its appeal not so much to the desire for resurrection as to a kindred craving of the human heart, the longing for reunion. Even though we were presented with an infallible proof of life beyond the grave, most of us would have no desire for resurrection if we were to be alone throughout eternity. Practically there is little to choose between absolute annihilation of the soul at death and an immortality of lonely isolation. Better for us eternal sleep than an awakening in the chill of unending loneliness. To the universal longing for reunion spiritualism makes its strongest appeal.

But to those who believe in the God who raised again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, spiritualism is not necessary. For surely, if God preserves human lives, he will also preserve human loves, and we shall be reunited with those we have lost awhile. "If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."

## FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY

WHY is it that Americans smile indulgently when they mention St. Patrick, as if that great saint were akin to Jack and Jill or Simple Simon, a mere product of childish imagination? Perhaps it is the fault of the Irish themselves, who, being the greatest mockers on earth, make fun even of their holy men, and have exaggerated the feats of some of their legendary heroes so grotesquely that the legitimate saints have suffered in consequence. Carlyle said that an Irish saint, whose head had been cut off by the heathen, picked it up, stuck it in his teeth and swam across a river, with his head in his mouth! Only an Irish saint, he added, could perform a feat like that.

But St. Patrick was a great and good man, and by no means funny, but intensely serious. It seems unfortunate that we Episcopalians have no church named after such a famous missionary, for the Irish Episcopalians claim him as one of them, and the Protestant Cathedral in Armagh, Ireland, is "St. Patrick's Cathedral" with a Church of Ireland bishop.

It is said that years ago Bishop Whitaker tried to persuade a rich congregation on the Main Line to name its new church "St. Patrick's," thereby sending a shiver down the backs of millions of dollars. It was unthinkable then. But perhaps it would be easier now, for aren't we (thanks to our models, the movie actresses and actors), turning to names that once were taboo for our children? How common the "Peters" and "Michaels" and "Patricias" are! Perhaps the style will change soon, and Patrick will be as fashionable a name for a church as Columba and Aidan and a number of others not nearly so deserving of honor as the greatest of the Celts.



# The Young People's Fellowship

Course in Publicity and News Writing Proposed for Y. P. F. School—Y. P. F. in Other Places

By VICTOR GROSHON  
Chairman, Publicity Committee

THE increasing difficulty of getting news from the various parochial Fellowship units presents a serious problem to the Diocesan Publicity Chairman in the preparation of the Fellowship page for THE CHURCH NEWS.

In a recent conference at Church House, the Director of Publicity for the Diocese, William C. Faust, who also is Managing Editor of THE CHURCH NEWS, suggested that the Fellowship train its members to be publicity conscious and news-wise. In that connection he made an offer which as many members of the Fellowship as possible should hasten to accept, namely:

If the Diocesan Fellowship will include in its next annual school curriculum a course in publicity and news writing, Mr. Faust will undertake to teach it. He has had seventeen years of practical newspaper experience in Philadelphia to draw upon in outlining and teaching such a course.

Such an opportunity to learn how to exploit the work of the Fellowship and other Church activities in which the young people of the Diocese might be engaged should not be lightly passed by.

The Northwest Convocation of the Y. P. F. is busily engaged in raising a fund to be used for the chapel at the Home for Consumptives, Chestnut Hill, which is under the care of the City Mission.

The same convocation is sponsoring a series of Lenten services on Wednesday evenings in which the Rev. John S. Stephenson, Jr., curate of the Church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, is conducting a course on the Sacraments of the Church. The services are held at St. Martin-in-the-Fields.

In the absence of other Fellowship news in the Diocese it might be interesting to turn the spotlight upon activities of and pertaining to young people in other dioceses.

Last month more than 1000 young people, representing every youth organization in the Diocese of New York, met at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine for their second annual service. The Rev. David Kemble Montgomery, rector of St.

Peter's Church, Morristown, N. J., one of the foremost young preachers of the Church, was the speaker.

The current youth movement in the Diocese of New York got under way last year. It closely resembles the Young Churchmen Movement, which has found a foothold in at least fifteen other dioceses. The goal of the New York group is subscription to and actual adoption of a five-point Rule of Life by all young people. The five points are daily personal prayer, weekly church attendance, systematic and regular giving to the support of the Church, and the application of Christian ethics in personal life, in accord with the doctrine and discipline of the Church.

A training school for lay readers has been inaugurated in the Diocese of Colorado. Those who pass an examination by Bishop Ingley will be licensed to use their own addresses in the diocese. The course includes study of the contents of the Bible and the Book of Common Prayer, Church history, Church music, and the use of the voice. Such a project in this diocese would open the way to a

## ARCHDEACON SHERWOOD SPEAKS HERE ON CUBA

The Venerable William T. Sherwood, Archdeacon of Altoona and rector of Trinity Church, Tyrone, visited Philadelphia diocese the last month to speak on the missionary work of the Church in Cuba, where he has gained an unusual knowledge of the country, the people and the mission stations.

A graduate of St. Stephen's (now Bard) College, Anandale, N. Y., and of General Theological Seminary, New York City, he served in various parishes throughout New York State before joining the Harrisburg Diocese, and at one time headed a radio company.

His schedule follows:

SUNDAY, February 18—Epiphany, Sherwood.  
TUESDAY, February 20—Woman's Auxiliary, St. Paul's, Overbrook.

WEDNESDAY, February 21—Foreign Committee, Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary, Church House; dinner and meeting, Pro-Cathedral of St. Mary.

## I PROMISE

Here's the Rule of Life adopted by the young people of the Diocese of South Carolina.

As a Young Churchman I do promise God with His help to keep the following Rule of Life:

1. To worship God every Sunday in His Church, and to receive Holy Communion at least once a month.

2. To pray daily in the morning and in the evening and to spend at least five minutes each day in meditation with God.

3. To work for the Kingdom of Christ through an organization of the Church or under the direction of a priest.

4. To give regularly for the extension of Christ's Kingdom in the world.

broader sphere of usefulness in the service of the Church for many members of the Young People's Fellowship.

At Epiphany Church, Detroit, one Sunday evening recently, the Y. P. F. gathered up all the Prayer Books and pasted in the loose pages. This is one way to earn the everlasting gratitude of the congregation.

At a recent meeting in an Omaha (Neb.) parish the young people of that city organized the "Council of Youth," on which each parish is represented by three deputies and a sponsor. All of the clergy are honorary members. One of its projects is to aid in organizing the youth of Omaha parishes which do not have fellowships. Already it has formed two new parish units, one white and one Negro, and actively co-operated in the diocesan rally of the Y. P. F.

The Y. P. F. of the Diocese of Long Island also had a successful annual dance in January. It reports a large attendance and the devotion of the proceeds of the affair to the Youth Consultation Service of the Church Mission of Help.

## BILL WOULD MAKE PARK AROUND GLORIA DEI

A bill introduced in Congress by Representative Leon Sacks, Philadelphia Democrat, would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish a Gloria Dei National Historical Park on property the Government now owns surrounding Gloria Dei (Old Swedes') Church. The boundaries contemplated are Washington Avenue, Swanson, Water and Christian Streets.

Meanwhile, residents of the neighborhood have voiced protests against the prospect of eviction to make room for the \$5,500,000 low-cost housing project planned for that area by the Philadelphia Housing Authority, as reported in THE CHURCH NEWS last month. Many who have owned their homes for years and have kept them neat and attractive resent the implication that they live in "slums."





A Candidates' Class at All Saints School, Bontoc, Philippine Islands

# The Girls' Friendly Society

All Eyes Turn to Goal of Offering for Year 1940—All Saints School, Bontoc, Continues to Receive Aid

By MADELEINE T. SPIESS  
National Vice-President-at-Large

IT is a temptation to fill this page for March with just a wide-spread advertisement: "Get a copy of the *G. F. S. Record* for February and read it from cover to cover." Released from its assigned duty as a program tool for the society, this issue lays aside the bitter problem of the world's refugees; it ceases for the time being to lead the girls in the difficult task of "being a World Christian"—and talks about the society itself. We are not so sure but that in so doing it makes out a rather good case for itself as to world Christianity!

Take the National Money Object, for instance—year-by-year a pledge made to the Church and a pledge paid and often overpaid. In 1939 this pledge covered two objectives of \$1000 each. Inspired by the mission study on India, the G. F. S. sent the first half to Bishop Azariah, who will use it to pay salaries of native teachers. The remainder, oversubscribed by \$50, was given to the refugee fund of the International Student Service.

These promises faithfully fulfilled, all eyes are now turned to 1940, and there is no doubt of the outcome, for this year's offering will go to an old and familiar friend of the G. F. S.—All Saints School, Bontoc, P. I. For many years, G. F. S. scholarships have been chiefly responsible for keeping that school open. These scholarships will not be given up because of the general gift this year, but rather they will be supplemented. The special money will be used for much needed

equipment, without which Deaconess Shaw has long been handicapped in the work she would do. "To think of having the money," she says in a recent letter, "with which to realize some of my dreams for the school—such a thing has never happened before." Brave words, indeed, which paint a picture of hope often deferred.

The G. F. S. in Pennsylvania will do its full share toward the gift of \$2000 or more; scholarships have gone from the home branches for many years; in fact, the Senior Members Club sent its first in 1907 and has never missed a year since. In all six scholarships are now contributed by the society in this diocese.

There is a branch at All Saints consisting of 30 members and 14 candidates, whose nimble fingers help to produce the attractive hand-woven linens, laces and straw work already well known in Friendly and Woman's Auxiliary circles. A special effort will be made to sell more

of this, while interest is centered on the mission. Miss Elizabeth W. Beatty, diocesan missions chairman, has been a volunteer agent for this hand-work for the last five years, and in that time has sent \$2000 to Deaconess Shaw as a result of sales all over the U. S. A.

New projects bring new thrills and enthusiasm in an age always seeking change and variety; but the G. F. S. does well to concentrate its energy and its youthful power in strengthening that which has already proven its worth where the wild little mountain girl of yesterday is the teacher, the trained nurse, or the Christian wife and mother of today; where, since the days of Bishop Brent, the Church's servants have given of their best; where today a brave woman struggles under burdens too heavy for her to bear. Even the promise of the gift gives her "courage to struggle on through deep waters." We must hurry and send her the tangible fulfillment of that promise.

Starting out to skip about the country with the G. F. S., we seem to have settled down in the Philippines. We really meant to talk also about the G. F. S. in Nevada, from which Miss Ruth Jenkins, vice-president of the Eighth Province, brings a vivid story of mountains and deserts, of small and scattered towns, of twenty men and women doing the work of the Church in a state large enough to hold Massachusetts thirteen times over, with Connecticut and Rhode Island thrown in. There, too, the G. F. S. penetrates. Just recently, Miss Jenkins attended an admission service in a little mission fifty miles from the nearest town. Those admitted were Indian girls, and

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## G. F. S. ANNUAL SERVICE

The Annual Diocesan Service, focal point of the year's diocesan program, will be held on Sunday afternoon, April 7, at 3:30 o'clock, in St. Mark's Church, Frankford. The Rev. John S. Stephenson, Jr., of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, will be the preacher. There will be a full procession with banners, and the choir of the church will be present.



DEACONESS SHAW

## Pilgrimage

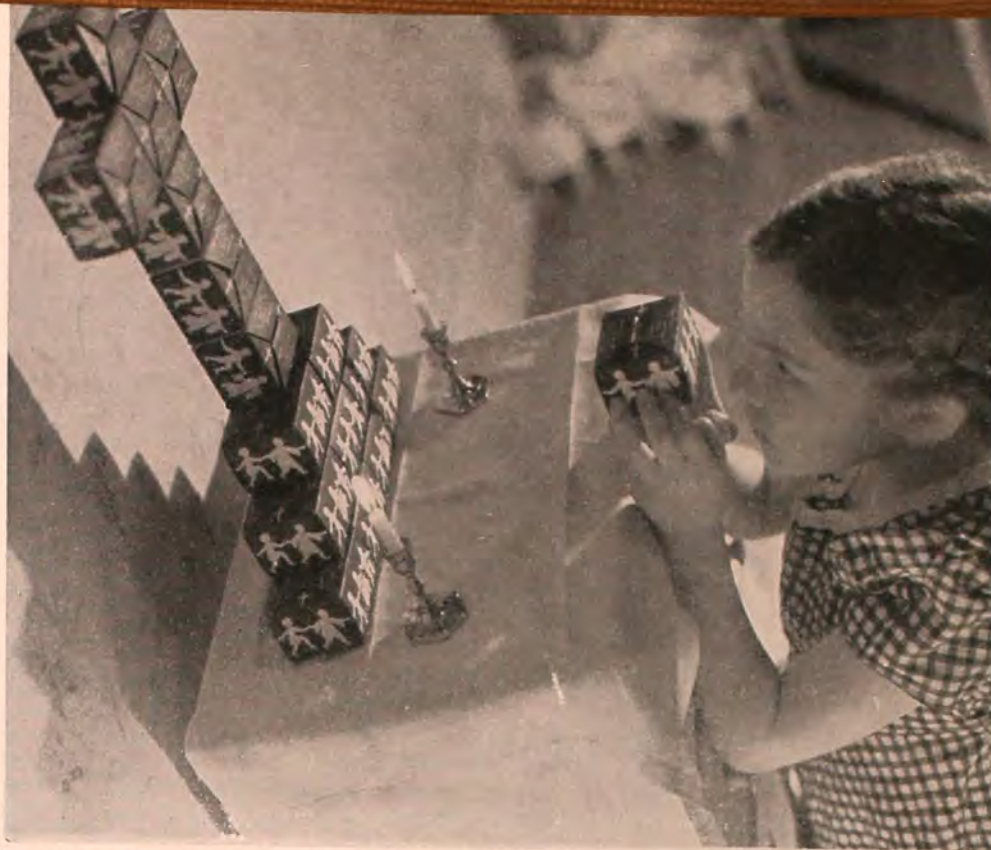
Under the auspices of the Senior Members' Club there will be a pilgrimage to the Cathedral at 3 P. M., Sunday, March 3, followed by Vespers in the Chapel of St. Mary at 4 P. M.



# Religious Education Department

Success of Diocesan Winter Conference Still Warms the Heart While Spring Institute Beckons

By BERYL M. NEWMAN  
Assistant to the Field Secretary



This little girl takes her Lenten Mite Box seriously

Church News Photo

AS this article goes to print we find the doors just closing on the last session of the Diocesan Winter Conference. What a time we had closing those doors. No one seemed to want to go home; people gathered in groups to discuss the Conference and to lament that it was finished.

More than 350 enrolled for the classes and the attendance at every session continued outstandingly high. But most important was the spirit of friendliness and the cheerfulness displayed in the crowded dining rooms where more than 200 were served with supper each night; the spirit of cheerful willingness to be put to the inconvenience of going from Church House to Holy Trinity Parish House and back to Church House again for classes; the spirit displayed by those seeking "something" to fill a need, and finding that need satisfied in the many courses offered.

The Chaplain's Hour, with Canon Earp as our chaplain, again set the tone, and the faculty and members carried it throughout the Conference.

It would be impossible to write about the courses individually—it would take too much space and time, and, too, it is beyond my ability to do so, but suffice it to say that the instructors gave of their best. What a good best it was is proven

## DIOCESAN PRESENTATION SERVICE of the LENTEN OFFERING

Sunday, April 28—4 P. M.  
Church of the Holy Trinity  
19th and Walnut Streets

Members and choirs from all the Church Schools in the Diocese will participate. The Rev. Charles W. Sheerin, D.D., vice-president of the National Council, will preach.

by the comments and the never failing interest of the members of the classes.

That the Winter Conference will be an annual institution is a foregone conclusion—and what a precedent has been set for those whose duty and pleasure it will be to plan for future ones.

### Vacation Church Schools

Spring is almost here, bringing with it the annual Vacation Church School Institute. The committee on this important phase of religious education for children and its new chairman, Miss Eleanor A. Deane, have decided to hold the Institute on the five Tuesday evenings in April. That means it is none too soon for us all to do some serious thinking on this subject.

With the public school doors closed to millions of children, shall we not open the Church doors and avail ourselves of this valuable time for Christian education? The cry of the Church Schools is that we do not have our children long enough to do an adequate job. Why not then have a Vacation Church School with no competitors for their time and attention?

This Institute planned for April is a training course for leaders, so decide now that you are going to have a Vacation Church School *this year* and enroll your leaders for this course, which will be in the form of a demonstration school. The theme of the course will deal with world friendship, and the leaders, acting as members of the school, will learn how to plan and carry out their entire program.

### Main Line Church Schools Convene

On Monday evening, February 26, the rectors, superintendents and teachers of the twenty-five Church Schools comprising the Main Line Church School Association, gathered at St. Mary's, Ardmore, for their mid-Winter meeting. The keynote of the meeting was missionary education. The meaning of missionary edu-

cation, ways of using the best material available and suggestions for planning the program for the primary, intermediate and senior departments were given by the three leaders. The meeting closed with a devotional service with special Lenten intercessions.

### Here's Help for Church Schools

Do you know the little paper, *The Educational Reporter*, published monthly by "281"? It contains invaluable aids for the rector, the superintendent, the teacher and for parent groups. Subscribe now. The cost is only ten cents a year. Send your name and address with ten cents to Room 30, Church House. If your subscription is expiring be sure to indicate your remittance is for "renewal."

### GOOD NEWS

From Elizabeth Frazier, our Field Secretary, come glowing accounts of the beautiful scenery and the wonderful but unusual weather of Tucson, Ariz., where she is recuperating from a serious mastoid operation. While she has not been out there long enough to be fully recovered, she assures her friends here that she is somewhat improved. The weather out there is unusual, the nights being very cold and the temperature at mid-day rising to about eighty degrees.

We have just received from Miss Frazier some spoon cactus, the most unusual cactus we have ever seen, and we are now anxious to get it planted and see what happens. She tells us "the different kinds of cactus all over the place are very comical—and very prickly—as are many of the bushes that cover the desert." We can vouch that the spoon cactus is prickly.

All of Miss Frazier's friends, who have missed her so much this Winter in Room 30, will be glad to know that she expects to be back at her desk on April 1, fully recovered in health.



## MEMORIAL TO FR. IRWIN BLESSED AT REQUIEM

The brass plate on the end of the new retable of the altar in the chapel of the Intercession of the Home for Consumptives, Chestnut Hill, reads:

This Tabernacle and Gradine  
Given by the Patients  
In Loving Memory  
Philip Sidney Irwin, Priest  
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On Tuesday, January 23, the anniversary of the death of the devoted chaplain, the chapel was crowded with staff, patients, children and visitors. A Requiem Eucharist was sung and the beautiful new Tabernacle and Gradine were blessed. These were designed and built by William Baldwin, a former patient. The money which paid for the material was raised soon after Dr. Irwin's death by the patients.

Many other changes and additions have been made in the chapel and the walls have been newly painted, all from the regular Sunday offerings of the patients. The planning and direction have been given gratuitously by Henry L. Keire, churchman, decorator and architect. The two tall altar candlesticks of valuable solid tin were given last Spring by Mrs. Charles Platt, of the Woman's Committee and representative of the Diocesan Altar Guild. She had them made in Guatemala. The patients have taken great interest in the beautifying of their chapel.

The Rev. Thomas Burgess, D.D., present chaplain, was the celebrant, assisted by the Rev. C. Jarvis Harriman, the Rev. John W. Walker and Chaplain Baird, all close friends of Fr. Irwin. The Rev. Stanley R. West, representing the City Mission Board of Council, after the Gospel said the Office of Blessing. Fr. Harriman was the preacher, telling the story of the late chaplain. Among the visitors were Mrs. John M. Weber, daughter of Fr. Irwin, and Dr. William H. Jefferys, superintendent of the City Mission.

After the service in the chapel all processed through the corridors to the children's cottage, led by the children's choir, singing "For All the Saints Who From Their Labors Rest." Their little wooden processional cross is the gift of Miss Georgia I. Bender. The chaplain blessed the new Children's Prayer Corner in the cottage.

### Films Aid Children in Study of Christ

The motion picture "King of Kings" is being used at St. Faith's Mission, Brookline, to aid visually the course on the Life of Christ which children of the mission are taking on Wednesday afternoons during Lent. The course was begun on Ash Wednesday, when 75 youngsters attended. Each study session is preceded by a children's service in the chapel at 4 P. M.

Life may be given in many ways,  
And loyalty to Truth be sealed  
As bravely in the closet as the field.

## ORGAN RECITALS AT ST. JAMES'S

Two recitals remain to be heard in the interesting series of four offered at St. James's Church, 22d and Walnut Streets. The series began on Monday, February 19, with Richard Purvis, organist at St. James's, at the console. Claribel Gegenheimer, organist at Ardmore Presbyterian Church, was the artist at the second recital, Monday, February 26.

The programs for the next two Monday evenings follow:

### March 4

JOHN COOKE

Organist, Church of the Redeemer,  
Norristown

Pièce Héroïque.....César Franck  
Two Chorale Preludes.....Johann Sebastian Bach  
(a) Have Mercy on Me, O Lord  
(b) Our Father in Heaven  
Prelude and Fugue in A Minor  
Johann Sebastian Bach  
"Kyrie" from "Cathedral Windows"  
Sigfrid Karg-Elert  
Scherzetto.....Louis Vierne  
Communion.....Richard Purvis  
Toccata (Symphony V).....Charles Marie Widor

### March 11

RICHARD PURVIS

Organist, St. James's Church,  
22d and Walnut Streets

Three Passiontide Chorale Preludes  
(a) When on the Cross Our Saviour Hung  
Samuel Scheidt  
(b) Christ Lay in the Bonds of Death  
Johann Sebastian Bach  
(c) Thy Will Be Done.....Sigfrid Karg-Elert  
Passacaglia and Fugue in C Minor  
Johann Sebastian Bach  
Prélude Grave.....Gustave Samazeuhl  
Cortège et Litanie.....Marcel Dupré  
The Last Supper.....Jacobmir Weinberger  
The Tumult in the Praetorium  
Paul de Maleingreau

The musician does not argue for his art; he utters it, and they who have ears may hear. The bird does not prove the possibility of a flying machine; he spreads his wings and flies, and his self-expression is the demonstration of his power.

## LENTEN MUSIC AT ST. PETER'S

An outstanding program of Lenten music, including three sacred cantatas and three services of Lenten anthems, has been undertaken this year by St. Peter's Choir of fifty-five men and boys under the direction of Harold W. Gilbert.

The first of the three cantatas, "The Triumph of the Cross," by Dr. H. Alexander Matthews, well-known composer and organist of St. Stephen's Church, was presented at the afternoon service on February 18.

The remaining cantatas in the series are John Stainer's "Crucifixion," to be given on March 3, and "The Passion of Our Lord According to St. Mark," by Charles Wood, which will be heard on Palm Sunday.

Programs of Lenten anthems will be offered on the intervening Sundays. The services begin at 5 P. M.

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# The New Chinese Hymnal

Combined Selections of Six Communion Services Scanned From the Viewpoint of Occidental Music

By HAROLD WELLS GILBERT  
Headmaster, St. Peter's Choir School; Organist  
and Choirmaster, St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia

FOUR years ago, in China, there appeared a new hymnal, "Hymns of Universal Praise," edited by a committee representing six branches of the Christian Church at work among the Chinese. The book was the result of years of labor on the part of those who were given the responsibility of preparing a song book suitable for use throughout that vast country, and the method of procedure, as explained in the preface, sheds some light upon the results obtained.

"Each of the co-operating churches was asked to prepare a list of 300 hymns, of which the first one hundred were to be considered its 'essential' list. When these six lists of one hundred each were collated, the resulting 252 hymns were voted into the hymnal without question. Other hymns were considered on their merits and added by vote of the committee." It was agreed that hymns should be chosen "with mutual appreciation of the needs of each group." It is not surprising, therefore, to find in this new hymnal not only the most substantial Christian songs of praise, but also such questionable things as "Bringing in the Sheaves," "Knocking, Knocking, Who Is There," "There Were Ninety and Nine."

In all, there are 514 hymns, of which 452 are translations and 62 are Chinese original hymns. All but two of the original Chinese hymns are comparatively new. One is "an ancient Nestorian hymn recently discovered in a cave in Kansu," and another is a religious poem written by a scholar and Catholic Bishop of the Ming Dynasty. As the result of a widely published call, the Chung Hwa Sheng Kung Hwei (the Holy Catholic Church in China) had previously secured about 2000 Chinese hymns. From these were selected twenty-one hymns for the new book.

Friends of the writer, who have long been engaged in missionary activity in China, have told him that the young people among Chinese Christian converts do not care to sing Chinese melodies to Christian hymn texts, but have a decided

liking for Western tunes. This, it would seem, presents something of an opportunity. If the tunes selected for a new hymnal are representative of the best we have to offer, in years to come there will be no need of trying to undo the damage done by previous careless judgment.

It is encouraging to note that the new Chinese hymnal contains some of the finest Western hymn tunes, many of which our Church in this country may properly hope to see included in its own forthcoming hymnal. On the other hand, it is distressing to see that some tunes that are nothing but sentimental rubbish have been put into the Chinese book. Perhaps this was the inevitable result of the method of procedure employed in compiling the book. It is unfortunate, but probably unavoidable.

Two of the tunes in the Chinese hymnal are of Japanese origin, and seventy-two are original compositions in China, although not all by native Chinese. Twenty-three are by foreign missionaries, "who, having lived in China for a considerable length of time, have learned to think in characteristically Chinese musical idioms." Thirty-four of the new tunes are by Chinese. Fourteen tunes are of ancient origin.

An examination of the native tunes

## MUSIC LENDING LIBRARY

The Diocesan Commission on Music has formed a lending library of choir music, which is now available to the parishes of the Diocese.

Particulars regarding membership in this service may be obtained on application to the Commission through H. William Hawke, 1625 Locust Street.

The catalogue list will also be supplied upon inquiry.

brings out several interesting points. Evidently a Chinese congregation does not shy at florid passages which include fair-sized leaps between some of the notes. We regard such musical traits as distinctly un-congregational. If native congregations can actually sing well and heartily, and at the same time thoroughly enjoy the constant flitting about of the tunes in question, it is hard to understand how they can possibly enjoy such a tune as Barnby's "Merrial," which is provided, as in our present book, for the text, "Now the day is over."

Some of the native tunes are ancient lute tunes, containing very irregular rhythms and rather extreme ranges of pitch. One tune is a Confucian chant which has been harmonized in the most extraordinary manner, as may be seen in the accompanying reproduction.

407 謝恩歌 時序:收成感謝  
PRAISE TO THEE, WHO GIVEST THE HARVEST  
孔子 (Confucius Chant)  
T. C. Chao, 1931

A Buddhist chant, harmonized in a very obvious Western manner, provides a tune for one of the new hymn texts. Another tune is called "Song of the Yangtze Boatman," and has something about it that relates it to the "Song of the Volga Boatman." The wedding hymns have some tunes that seem to be frankly happy and light-hearted. The children's hymns have the same faults that cling to that section in almost every hymnal: the tunes are cheap. The compilers evidently thought, as do most folks, that children should be nourished on musical sweets. No doubt the little Chinese tots will learn to like their silly little tunes, but the day of reckoning will come! On the other hand, in this section of the book, some very fine tunes have been inserted. Here again, the inconsistency may be attributable to method of procedure.

It is unfair to pass judgment upon a work that has such a broad mission in so difficult and complicated a sphere. Judged by a narrow standard, the Chinese hymnal

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## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CALENDAR

Unless otherwise indicated, all meetings here listed will be held in Church House, 202 South 19th Street, Philadelphia

Luncheon-meeting every Wednesday at 12:30 P. M. for Woman's Auxiliary Committees' officers and guests

### Wednesday, March 6

10:30 A. M.—Committee on Colored Missions. Speaker: Joseph S. Clark, Jr., member of the executive board of the United Charities Campaign, on "That's Where Your Money Goes."

10:30 A. M.—Diocesan Committee at Holy Trinity Parish House.

2 P. M.—Committee on Christian Social Relations.

### Tuesday, March 12

2:30 P. M.—Mothers' Union, Executive Meeting.

### Wednesday, March 13

10:30 A. M.—Domestic Committee. Speaker: Miss Mary Louise Wood, Callaway, Virginia.

7:45 P. M.—Diocesan Board of the Junior Woman's Auxiliary (Room 21). Speaker: Miss Clare Zelly, of St. Mary's Church, Ardmore, a representative at the World Conference for Christian Youth at Amsterdam, Holland, this past Summer.

### Wednesday, March 20

10:30 A. M.—Foreign Committee. Speaker: Rev. T. W. Golden-Howes, missionary from Mexico.

### Tuesday, March 26

—Mothers' Union Meeting omitted because of Easter Week.

### Wednesday, March 27

10:30 A. M.—Indians' Hope Association. Speaker: Mrs. David W. Clark from Crum Creek Mission, South Dakota.

2 P. M.—Elizabeth Price Martin League for Service, Philadelphia General Hospital Unit.

### Friday, March 29

10:30 A. M.—Church Periodical Club.

### Monday, April 1

11 A. M. - 1 P. M.—Quiet Day, St. James's Church, 22d and Walnut Streets.

### Tuesday, April 2

8 P. M.—Card Party. Sponsors: Junior Woman's Auxiliary benefit for Christian Social Service, to be held at the Rittenhouse Hotel. (Attractive prizes—tickets 50c.)

## Holding the Bag of Opportunity

THOUGH the ground hog has gone back into his hole, and the skies have practically snowed us in, yet do we refuse to hibernate like Mrs. Bear.

When something bobs up, we don't fall into a trance—except once in a while—but we usually face the facts and try to act.

Last month the Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary Board looked sober, cogitated, and decided to undertake to raise an additional sum of \$2000 for Church missionary work for 1940. It hoped thus to help spank to silence any big bad wolf stalking the National Council's 1940 Budget (see "The Board Acts").

We hear this and groan and hold our heads, but this year there is no headache because we hold the bag of opportunity.

We've bragged that we usually make good the things asked of us. So we must act. We look at the bag in our grasp, and lo! we see it is full. We look inside. Why, it's *chock full* of things—grass seed, bulbs of our adored pink fringed tulip and regal lilies. The bag is growing. Tomato plants, strawberry plants, hoes, trowels, fertilizer and—ouch! Something sticks us. We drop the bag. Tea roses and ramblers fall out. We look at the bag in amazement. "Henry A. Dreer, Inc.—Give and Get" is printed all over it.

We nurse our wounded finger and cry, "Could this be the answer? But how could flowers and such things muzzle a wolf?"

We look at the icicles and hear the wind howl—and we shiver. But the bag has awakened a haunting memory of tender greens and damp rich earth and Spring rains. We involuntarily sniff the air.

The dream sets us investigating. We find that if we obtain special stickers from either our W. A. presidents, or from the W. A. office in Church House,

and if we give some to our friends, and if we all present the stickers to Henry A. Dreer, Inc., when we buy things for our gardens, that company will give to the Pennsylvania Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary 10 per cent of the money we spend. Even if we just telephone an order and say that we are buying through the Pennsylvania Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, the 10 per cent will go to the Woman's Auxiliary.

We find, too, that if our garden club gets in a philanthropic mood, it can help by doing the same as individuals, which gets us in a state of excitement as we think of ways to catch the garden club's fancy.

We come to town and find ourselves asking for Dreer's Spring catalog at the Woman's Auxiliary office, at 202 South Nineteenth Street, and are surprised and delighted to find that the catalogs are there.

As we turn the pages, the fever of Spring planting gets into our blood and our fingers itch for trowel and watering pot.

And our spirits rise as we see the road opening to this twofold pleasant getting and giving.

May we count you with us?

*"My blossomed pear tree in the hedge  
Leans to the field and scatters on the  
clover  
Blossoms and dew drops."*

ROBERT BROWNING

## THE BOARD ACTS

The National Council, through Mrs. Henry Hill Pierce, asked for our opinion on the following important questions which are before the Church. The Council hoped "for a thoughtful expression of a great number of individuals throughout the Church," as it "is not a matter of a majority report."

1. Should lay employees of non-profit organizations be included in the provisions of the Social Security Act?

(Read *The Living Church* on file in the W. A. office, Jan. 17, 1940, pages 8 and 9.)

2. Should we give greater co-operation with interdenominational agencies through increased appropriations for Foreign Missions Conference and authorized consultation with other Boards about policy in mission fields?
3. Desirability of increased missionary giving for 1940 because if additional pledges are not in prospect by the February 15 meeting of the Council, it must act decisively.

The Executive Board of the Pennsylvania Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary at its February 6 meeting gave the following opinions:

1. There was a predominant belief that lay employees of the Church should be included in the provisions of the Social Security Act, thereby giving them the

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protection secured to other workers; that the alarm of entangling alliances with state was ungrounded as they are not being dealt with as the Church, but as individual citizens of a non-profit organization. Also that if the Church does not accept this plan for old age security, we are obliged to provide some other, thereby removing the present discrimination.

2. We felt the need and "expressed the desire for greater co-operation with interdenominational agencies" in national as well as local opportunities, as a means of better understanding what Christian unity would mean. We moved to follow up our membership in the local Interdenominational Union with more active participation and urge that parishes become members.

3. The Diocese reports a \$4000 increase in Expectations for 1940, some part of which we believe can be traced

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## YOU HAVE A DATE MARCH 7

Don't forget that Thursday evening, for it is then that the Diocesan Lenten Service sponsored by the Pennsylvania Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary will be held at the Church of the Holy Trinity, 19th and Walnut Streets.

The time is 8 o'clock.

The preacher is the Rev. Charles Lincoln Taylor, Jr., Th.D., Professor of Old Testament, Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass.

Come and bring your freinds to this service.

"Lord, lift us out of private mindedness and give us public souls to work for Thy Kingdom by daily creating that atmosphere of a happy temper and generous heart which alone can bring the great Peace."

Bishop Hackett, 17th Century



Indians near St. Michael's Mission, Ethete, Wyo., combine the traditional tepee (right) and a modern wall tent to make roomy living quarters

## JUNIOR WOMAN'S AUXILIARY NEWS

MISS CLARE ZELLY, of St. Mary's Church, Ardmore, a representative at the World Conference for Christian Youth at Amsterdam, Holland, last Summer, will address the Diocesan meeting of the Junior Woman's Auxiliary at 7:45 P. M., March 13, in Church House.

As an outcome of the January meeting, at which the refugee problem was brought to the attention of the group, members of the Jr. W. A. are selling stamps issued by the Episcopal Committee for Refugees, the proceeds of which will aid the refugee work.

Miss Katherine Thomas, of Calvary, Germantown, will be in charge of the Motor Corps for Episcopal Day for the Blind, Monday, March 4, at the Gimbel store.

The Executive Board is pleased to welcome the following new Junior Auxiliary groups: Prince of Peace Chapel; St. Mary's, Hamilton Village; Phillips Brooks Memorial Chapel.

### Episcopal Hospital May Fete Plans

The May Fete at Episcopal Hospital is planned for May 22 from 11 A. M. until 9 P. M.

Again we will have our booth for juvenile and miscellaneous articles—a donation of hand-made goods or money is expected from each Junior Branch so that our booth may be more attractive and our profits greater for the hospital. Now is the time to start thinking and acting on the share your group will have. Miss Olivet Robertson, chairman, 435 South 45th Street, has many grand ideas. Why not contact her immediately?

The dates of the Shrine Mont Conference of the Woman's Auxiliary have been announced as June 10-14 for the first session and June 17-21 for the second ses-

sion. Members of the Junior Woman's Auxiliary will be welcome at both sessions. Arrangements have been made for the Pennsylvania delegation of young women to be housed together.

Interesting plans for entertainment and recreation will be announced later. The Junior women of Pennsylvania have been asked to present a Madras play during the second week of the conference. Every Junior group should be represented at this conference and plans should be made for the selection of at least one delegate and to allow a sum in the budget for her expenses.

### Book List for Study of Church Unity

*A Primer on Christian Unity.* 25c. Issued by Protestant Episcopal and Presbyterian headquarters. Contains the Proposed Concordat.

*Getting Together.* Single copies, 15c. Five or more, 10c each. A study of the findings of the Oxford and Edinburgh Conferences.

*Toward Christian Unity.* Single copies, 10c. Ten or more, 5c each.

*Constitution for Proposed World Council of Churches.* Free. All may be obtained in the Woman's Auxiliary office, Room 37, Church House.

*The Christian Community in the Modern World.* 25c. A study of the Amsterdam Conference.

*Further Studies on the Christian Community in the Modern World.* 25c.

Further study guides:

*Ten Authorities Other Than God.* 15c. Study outlines for young people.

These may be obtained in Room 30, Church House.

*Christendom Quarterly.* An interdenominational magazine may be obtained in the library of the Church House.

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# The Sanctuary of Devotion

Compiled by the REV. EDWARD H. VOGT,  
Rector, St. Peter's Church, Germantown



## THE SUFFERING OF JESUS CHRIST

All the weary livelong night  
Neither rest nor sleeping:  
Armed bands of soldiery  
Watch round Jesus' keeping:  
Priests and Scribes upon His Head  
Foul reproaches heaping:  
Who might see the Spotless Lamb,  
And refrain from weeping?

O Lord, Who when Thine Hour was come didst go without fear among those that sought Thy life, give us, we pray Thee, such boldness to confess Thee before men, and such readiness to bear the cross, that hereafter Thou mayest confess us before Thy Father Who is in Heaven, for Thine own merit's sake, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Pilate strives to free the Lord  
From the bands that tie Him;  
But the voices of the Jews  
More and more defy Him;  
And the tumult waxes still  
Louder and louder nigh Him:  
And the people's fiercer cry  
Thunders—"Crucify Him!"

O Lord Jesus Christ, Who didst bear the reproach of sin, though Thou hadst done nothing amiss: have mercy upon us when falsely accused and evil spoken of, and grant us at such times the spirit of meekness like unto that which Thou didst exercise in all Thine afflictions. This we ask through Thy merits, Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, One God, world without end. *Amen.*

After passed He through the street  
As the morn grew colder:  
And the heavy bitter Cross  
Bare He on His Shoulder:  
Thronged the windows and the doors  
Many a rude beholder:  
But He found no comforter  
There, and no upholder.

O Blessed Saviour, Who when carrying Thy Cross wast forsaken of all Thy friends, grant that this Thy Suffering and Desertion may atone for our manifold lapses and retreats from Thy Narrow Way. Knit our hearts to Thee, and let us nevermore forsake Thee, Who with the Father and the Holy Ghost art One God, world without end. *Amen.*

On the wood His Arms are stretched,  
And His Hands are riven:  
Through the tender Flesh of Christ  
Mighty nails are driven;  
In like wise His Blessed Feet  
Are to torture given,  
As the Hands that had so oft  
In our battle striven.

O Holy Jesus, Who as at this Hour didst bear our sins in Thine Own Body on the Tree; grant that we, being dead unto sin, may live unto righteousness. This we beg, through Thy Mercy, O Lord, our Saviour and our Redeemer. *Amen.*

Calling on Thy Father's Name  
Thy last breath was spended:  
And Thy Spirit in His Hands  
Gently was commended:  
With a loud and mighty cry  
Then Thy Head was bended:  
And Thy work, that brought Thee down,  
Of Salvation, ended.

O Blessed Son of God, we commit ourselves into Thy Hands now and for ever. Give to each one of us a watchful, humble and diligent spirit; that we may seek in all things to know Thy will, and when we know it, may perform it perfectly and gladly. This we ask through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

At last the weary Life is o'er,  
The agony and conflict sore  
Of Him Who all our sufferings bore.

Deep in the rock's sepulchral shade  
The Lord, by Whom the world was made,  
The Saviour of mankind, is laid.

O Lord Jesus Christ, Who for our sake didst not only suffer death, but wast laid in the tomb, in order by Thy burial to hallow our graves; give us, by Thy rest in the grave, the comfortable assurance that after this life our souls shall repose in God's Hands, and our bodies in the ground, and that at the Last Day we shall enter into Thine Eternal Rest; all of which we ask through Thy Merits and Mediation. *Amen.*



## THE TRIUMPH OF JESUS CHRIST

Jesus Christ from death hath risen,  
Lo! His Godhead bursts the prison,  
While His Manhood passes free,  
Vanquishing our misery.  
Rise we free from condemnation;  
Through our God's humiliation,  
Ours is now the victory.

God of all truth and grace, Who hast caused the Sun of righteousness to arise upon a dark and benighted world, in bringing up Thy Holy One from the grave; be graciously pleased so to illuminate our souls and the souls of all mankind with the beams of heavenly wisdom, that we may continually walk in Thy light, and know both to avoid evil and to follow after that which is good; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*



## NEW CHINESE HYMNAL

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is inconsistent and patchy. But it probably serves its purpose adequately—to "comprehend the characteristic features of each church group, as well as Christian hymns of different ages, churches and lands."

The writer is not qualified to express an opinion on the texts, but certainly this book offers some new musical matter that speaks well for its sincerity. It needs no Oriental point of view to appreciate the simple artistry in such a tune as the following, written by one of the compilers, Ernest Y. L. Yang:

310 三省歌 聖徒本分  
HELP ME, O LORD, TO SEARCH MY HEART

三省 (SEARCHING) 楊嘉訓  
L. M. WITH REFRAIN ERNEST Y. L. YANG, 1934



## FR. WHITEMORE BUSY ON VISIT TO DIOCESE

The Rev. Alan G. Whittemore, Superior of the Order of the Holy Cross, West Park, N. Y., conducted a retreat at St. Luke's, Germantown, Saturday night, February 17, beginning at 8 o'clock with two meditations and ending Sunday, February 18.

The Saturday night meditations were in preparation for a corporate Communion at 8 o'clock Sunday morning, which was followed by a breakfast in St. Luke's Parish House for the retreatants. The first meditation on Sunday began at 9:30 A. M. and the final one at 11 A. M.

On February 23 he conducted a children's mission at St. Luke's, for the purpose of demonstrating the technique of such a service. The demonstration was arranged by the Diocesan Commissions on Evangelism and the Forward Movement for the benefit of clergy who will conduct a diocese-wide children's mission next Fall.

Fr. Whittemore was the preacher at the third Lenten service in the diocesan series at Holy Trinity Church, on Thursday, February 22.

## SCHEDULE OF CONFIRMATIONS

BISHOP TAITT

BISHOP FISKE

Evening—Norristown, All Saints

March 1—Friday

Evening—Essington, St. John

March 3—Fourth Sunday in Lent

Morning—Philadelphia, St. James's

Morning—Philadelphia, Holy Apostles

Afternoon—Philadelphia, St. Cyprian's

Afternoon—Philadelphia, Ascension, Rhawn-

Evening—Philadelphia, St. Barnabas, Had-

hurst

Evening—Philadelphia, St. Stephen, Bridesburg

March 5—Tuesday

Evening—Willow Grove, St. Anne

Evening—Morrisville, Incarnation

March 6—Wednesday

Evening—Bristol, St. James

March 7—Thursday

Evening—Yeadon, St. Michael

March 8—Friday

Evening—Philadelphia, Good Shepherd, Ken-

Evening—Hatboro, Advent

March 10—Passion Sunday (Fifth in Lent)

Morning—Chester, St. Paul

Morning—West Chester, Holy Trinity

Afternoon—Drexel Hill, Incarnation

Afternoon—Philadelphia, Holy Trinity Chapel

Evening—Prospect Park, St. James

Afternoon—Philadelphia, Saint Sauveur

Evening—Darby, All Saints

March 12—Tuesday

Evening—Philadelphia, Crucifixion

March 13—Wednesday

Evening—Doylestown, St. Paul

Evening—Springfield, Redeemer

The Visiting Bishop is the Rt. Rev. Charles Fiske D.D., of Baltimore, retired Bishop of the Diocese of Central New York, who is here at the behest of Bishop Taitt. His sojourn in this Diocese ends Wednesday, March 13. All appointments after that date will be filled by Bishop Taitt.

March 14—Thursday

Evening—Philadelphia, Holy Comforter Chapel

March 15—Friday

Evening—Philadelphia, Holy Communion Chapel

March 16—Saturday

Afternoon—Wayne, St. Mary

March 17—Sunday Next Before Easter (Palm Sunday)

Morning—Philadelphia, St. Peter

Afternoon—Aronmink, Holy Comforter

Evening—Philadelphia, Resurrection

March 20—Wednesday

Evening—Philadelphia, Epiphany, Sherwood

March 21—Thursday

Evening—Philadelphia, St. Paul, Overbrook

March 23—Easter Even (Saturday)

Afternoon—Philadelphia, St. Mark

March 24—Easter Day

Morning—Philadelphia, Christ

Afternoon—Philadelphia, Gloria Dei

Evening—Highland Park, Holy Sacrament

March 31—First Sunday After Easter

Morning—Jenkintown, Our Saviour

Afternoon—Morton, Atonement

Evening—Philadelphia, The Saviour

April 4—Thursday

Evening—Valley Forge Military Academy

April 7—Second Sunday After Easter

Morning—Paoli, Good Samaritan

Afternoon—Parkesburg, Ascension

Afternoon—Coatesville, St. Cyril

Evening—Coatesville, Trinity

April 14—Third Sunday After Easter

Morning—West Whiteland, St. Paul

Afternoon—Bridgeport, Christ, Upper Merion

Evening—Rosemont, Good Shepherd

April 21—Fourth Sunday After Easter

Morning—Bryn Mawr, Redeemer

Afternoon—Philadelphia, St. Mary Annuncia-

tion

Evening—Marcus Hook, St. Martin

April 28—Fifth Sunday After Easter

Morning—Philadelphia, St. Paul, Chestnut

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Evening—West Chester, Ascension

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## REV. E. A. RICH

The Rev. Ernest Albert Rich, a minister of the Church for thirty-five years, died suddenly on February 12 following a heart attack suffered at his home, 8049 Walker Street, Holmesburg. He was 64 on January 26.

Mr. Rich retired in October, 1936, after more than five years as a member of the City Mission staff, during which time he served as chaplain at the Home for the Indigent and the Philadelphia County Prison at Holmesburg. He also had held regular services in the Old Ladies' Home, State Road and Comly Street, and in the Lower Dublin Poorhouse until it was closed several years ago.

A native of Reisterstown, Md., Mr. Rich was graduated from Trinity College, Hartford, Conn., in 1899, and in 1905 completed his studies at Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass. He was ordered deacon that year by Bishop Paret and in 1908 was ordained priest by Bishop Darlington.

From seminary he went to Washington County, Md., to become chaplain and a member of the faculty of St. James School, which he left to accept a curacy at the Church of the Transfiguration and Calvary Mission, Blue Ridge Summit, Pa. Later he served as a missionary in Tazewell Parish, Graham, Va., joining the City Mission staff here in February, 1931. Stricken in health in Lent, 1936, he was forced to retire in October of that year.

Besides his wife, Alice Oliver Rich, five sons, three daughters, five sisters and four brothers survive him. The sons are Adrian, of Pittsburgh; John, at home; Ernest A., Jr., a student at St. James' School, Maryland; Beverly and George W., pupils of Church Farm School. The daughters are Hester, Frances, who live at home, and Ernestine, of Baltimore. All are unmarried.

His sisters are Mrs. William Wyatt, Reisterstown, Md.; Mrs. Charles Alnutt, Mrs. B. Latrobe Weston and Miss Emily Rich, all of Baltimore, and Mrs. Duane DuBarry, of New York. The brothers are the Rev. Alexander M. Rich, Jacksonville Beach, Fla.; Frank, whose home is in California, and Edward N. and Charles S., both of Baltimore.

Funeral services were conducted by the Bishop in Emmanuel Church, Kensington, on Wednesday, February 14. Interment was in All Saints Churchyard, Reisterstown, Md.

## F. S. WHITTAKER

Frederic S. Whittaker, secretary of the vestry of St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, and former treasurer of the Philadelphia Gas Works Company, died January 28 at his home, 7807 Winston Road, Chestnut Hill, at the age of 65. He had been in retirement for three years because of ill health.

Graduating from Germantown Academy 48 years ago, he entered the employ of

the gas company and worked his way up to the treasurership. He was vice-president of the United Savings and Beneficial Association and treasurer of the Beneficial Association, both organizations of U. G. I. employes. He was a member of the Philadelphia Cricket Club.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mildred Whittaker; two sons, John W. and Philip N. Whittaker, and a brother, H. Edward Whittaker. Funeral services were held at St. Paul's Church January 30.

## CHARLES A. DONNELLY

Charles A. Donnelly, attorney and bank official and former vestryman and accounting warden of Gloria Dei (Old Swedes') Church for fifteen years, died at his home in Bywood February 9 after an illness of three years. He was 50.

He is survived by his wife, Helen S. Donnelly; a daughter, Helen; two brothers and three sisters.

## JOHN A. HARRIS, JR.

John A. Harris, Jr., retired senior vice-president of the Philadelphia National Bank and for many years a vestryman of St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, where his father, the late Rev. J. Andrews Harris, was one-time rector, died suddenly at his home, 200 West Willow Grove Avenue, Chestnut Hill, on February 18. He was in his 78th year.

Long identified with banking activities in Philadelphia, Mr. Harris also was vice-president of Episcopal Academy, a trustee of the Fund for the Endowment of the Episcopate, a member of the Committee on Church Work Among the Deaf and of the Society for the Advancement of Christianity. He also was a member of the Philadelphia Club and the Philadelphia Cricket Club.

He is survived by his wife, Georgina French Harris, and three children, Mrs. Robert Dale and J. Andrews Harris, 3d, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Pemberton Shober, of Buffalo.

Funeral services were held in St. Paul's Church February 20, and he was buried in the churchyard of St. Thomas', White-marsh.

## MRS. JOSEPH G. DARLINGTON

Mrs. Joseph Gazzam Darlington, widow of a former president of the Union League and for many years an active member of the Church of the Holy Trinity, died at her home, 135 South 18th Street, at the age of 89.

Her husband, a well known importer and four times president of the Union League, died in 1908. They were married in 1875. She was a member of the Colonial Dames and the Acorn Club.

Mrs. Darlington is survived by her brother, Howard Butcher, father of Howard Butcher, Jr., president of the Philadelphia Stock Exchange, and four grandchildren, Joseph H. Darlington and Sibyl Mary Darlington, of New York; Mrs. Abram G. Tatnall, of Ardmore, and Mrs. Howard S. Pleasants, of Philadelphia.

## J. HOWARD FELL

J. Howard Fell, a vestryman of Grace Church, Mt. Airy, died February 22 at his home, 7018 Boyer Street, Mt. Airy, after a short illness. He was 59.

Graduating from Central High School in 1898, he entered the firm founded in 1876 by his father, William F. Fell, whom he succeeded as president upon the latter's death in 1933. He was a member of the Huntingdon Valley Country Club, the Philadelphia Canoe Club, the Union League, the Typothetae of Philadelphia, and the Right Angle Club. He also was prominently identified with civic improvement and welfare work.

Besides his wife, Mary Louise Fell, a daughter, Elizabeth Ann, a student at Wheaton College, and a sister, Edith A. Fell, survive him.

Funeral services were held at his home February 26.

## MRS. MARY B. BOOTH

Mrs. Mary Babcock Booth, mother of the late Bishop Samuel B. Booth, of Vermont, and widow of Henry Driver Booth, former Midvale Steel Corporation executive, died January 30 at her home, 3826 Oak Road, Germantown, after an illness of three weeks. She was 78.

Mrs. Booth was a member of the Colonial Dames of America, and an active member of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Germantown, where funeral services were held February 1.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. E. Gwynn Stratton, of Erie, and a son, Henry Driver Booth, Jr., of Wayne.

## THOMAS F. SIBLEY

The teachers and pupils of St. Ambrose Church School, Kensington, regret deeply the passing of Thomas F. Sibley, who died suddenly on February 2 at his home. Mr. Sibley had been actively engaged in parish duties, serving for several years as clerk of the mission and as teacher of the Young Men's Class. He is survived by his wife, Ellen, who for many years has been president of the Women's Bible Class, and by his son and two grandchildren.

## THOMAS R. NEILSON, M. D.

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A long life devoted to the medical profession, and especially to the Episcopal Hospital, came to an end with the death of Dr. Thomas Rundle Neilson on October 25, 1939, after an illness of two weeks. He was in his 82d year.

Born in Philadelphia October 29, 1857, he was the son of Thomas and Sarah Claypole Neilson. Upon his graduation from the University of Pennsylvania in 1880 he began his internship at the Episcopal Hospital, after which he served as surgeon to the dispensary and as surgical chief until he resigned on account of age in 1924, when he was elected surgeon-

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## 100th ANNIVERSARY OF S. PHILIP'S OBSERVED

A service for the purpose of doing honor to the record of St. Philip's Church, which was merged with St. Mary's, Hamilton Village, in 1937, was held in the parish house of St. Mary's, 39th and Locust Streets, on Sunday afternoon, March 3, with many former members of St. Philip's "coming home" to join with those who now are affiliated with St. Mary's. The Rev. Joseph Cullen Ayer, Ph.D., last rector of St. Philip's, was the speaker.

The service was the 100th anniversary observance of St. Philip's, whose origin dates from 1840, when a number of members of Grace Church, then at 12th and Cherry Streets, organized a new parish and built a church in Vine Street near Franklin. There they worshipped until 1879, when they moved to a new location at Broad and Spring Garden Streets.

Meanwhile, Trinity Church, Maylandville, had been established at what is now 42nd and Regent Streets, West Philadelphia. At about the time old Trinity fell into difficult times, St. Philip's began to look for a new location. The two groups got together. St. Philip's found a purchaser for the Spring Garden Street property and took over Trinity parish, paying its obligations, and built a new church at 42nd Street and Baltimore Avenue. That building still stands and is used as a chapel.

Changing times and conditions did not deal kindly with St. Philip's in its new location. What had once been a strictly residential neighborhood became a community of apartment and rooming houses with a constantly shifting population. There was overlapping of parish boundaries, due to the proximity of St. Mary's. These and other things made it necessary for St. Philip's to seriously consider a proposal to merge with St. Mary's in 1922. St. Mary's voted for the merger, but St. Philip's declined. But in 1936 when Dr. Ayer resigned as rector the merger was considered again, and in the following year it was accomplished.

The anniversary service was conducted by the rector of St. Mary's, the Rev. William B. Stimson, who said in the formal announcement of the occasion:

"In honoring St. Philip's Church, we honor also those other congregations of the past that have surrendered their corporate lives that one strong parish might live: Church of the Intercessor, Church of the Advocate, St. Philip's Chapel, Trinity Church, Maylandville."

An offering was taken for the missionary Expectation, Episcopal Hospital, and the City Mission work at Philadelphia General Hospital.

## ST. LUKE'S, NEWTOWN, TO HOLD RETREAT

A Retreat for men and women will be conducted by Father Damian, O.S.F., Friday, March 8, at St. Luke's Church, Newtown, with Mass at 10 A. M., first meditation, 11 A. M.; second meditation, 12 noon; lunch, 1 P. M.; third meditation,

2:30 P.M.; Evening Prayer, 3:30 P. M. Father Damian also will preach at the 11 o'clock Mass on Passion Sunday. Those who wish reservations for lunch are asked to notify Rev. Lewis Sassee, II, Newtown, Pa.

This is the twelfth annual Retreat sponsored by St. Luke's. The late Bishop Garland conducted the first, and Bishop Taitt the second. Others who have officiated are the late Bishops Booth, of Vermont, and Urban, of New Jersey; Bishop Davenport, recently retired Easton Diocesan; Father Turkington, O.H.C.; Rev. Henry Mitchell, St. Mary's, Wayne; Rev. P. S. Lander, Good Shepherd, Rosemont; Rev. John Q. Martin, Calvary, West Philadelphia, and Dean Steinmetz, of the Trenton-Burlington Convocation, New Jersey.

The quiet of Bucks County is the most desirable place imaginable for a Retreat. Much credit is due the city parish that attempts a Retreat because of the natural difficulties to be faced. A cordial invitation is extended to those in the city who can take advantage of the day.

Fr. Damian is from the Franciscan Monastery, Little Portion, Mt. Sinai, Long Island, N. Y.

## REV. OLIN B. G. LAGER GOING TO MARCUS HOOK

The appointment of the Rev. Olin B. G. Lager, curate at St. John the Evangelist's Church, Lansdowne, to the rectorship of historic St. Martin's Church, Marcus Hook, recently was announced. The appointment is effective April 1. He will succeed the Rev. Walter W. Gale, who has joined the staff of St. Thomas' Church, Washington, D. C.

Mr. Lager was born in Lansford, Pa., and studied at Elon College and the University of Pennsylvania before entering Philadelphia Divinity School, where he was graduated with the degree of bachelor of theology in 1936. He was ordered deacon June 6, 1936, and was ordained a priest May 31, 1937, by Bishop Taitt.

In 1935 he joined the staff of the Philadelphia City Missions and Home Missionary Society, which he left in June, 1936, to accept an appointment as assistant minister at Lower Camden City Mission. He remained there until January, 1938, when he was appointed curate at St. John the Evangelist's, Lansdowne.

Of his work in Lansdowne, his rector, the Rev. Charles E. Tuke, D.D., says:

"His ministry in this place has been useful and effective. He has grown steadily in understanding and has won the friendship of many in this parish and beyond its borders. I feel sure that the same will be said of his ministry in Marcus Hook."

Mr. Lager is married and has a small daughter. His wife is the former Evelyn Newton Davis.

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## Indians' Hope Committee

Mrs. Robert Frazier, one-time president of the Indians' Hope Committee, was welcomed as our speaker at the January meeting. This is the first time that she has spoken to us of her new work in Wyoming. Her husband, the Ven. Robert P. Frazier, is Archdeacon of Wyoming. They live in Laramie, the headquarters of the Missionary District.

The Wind River reservation is about 275 miles away and many trips are made to it. On the reservation live the Arapahoe and Shoshone Indians, among whom forward-moving projects are now claiming the interest of the missionaries, the Government, and the Indians. For reservation land given to the Arapahoes many years ago a Government grant paying about four and a half million dollars to the Shoshones has recently been made. It is to be wisely expended in developing the home and agricultural life of these Indians. They can respond well to education in farming and stock care, if properly taught. Corrective soil erosion and irrigations projects are already under way. The missionary in charge of the Church of the Redeemer at Wind River and other services in scattered places on the reservation is the Rev. W. Hewton Ward.

St. Michael's Mission, Ethete, is the center of our Church's work among the Arapahoe people. The former boarding school is now a day school for 150 boys and girls and a bus brings in the children daily. The school is run by a staff of five teachers. It is here that missionaries from the Diocese of Pennsylvania—Deaconess Marian Brown and Deaconess Mary F. Ward—are teaching. A visiting nurse who is very active is attached to the mission. She drives about the reservation in a car which the Indians' Hope Committee supports—reporting or taking all serious cases of illness to the doctor, or Government hospital; and she gives a home hygiene course to the girls at the mission.

A co-operative farm of approximately 10,000 acres, near St. Michael's Mission, is in process of development. At the last county fair forty-one Indians made entries of farm produce and twenty-one won first and second prizes, and some of these exhibits went on to the State Fair.

The work is to take the Christian way of life to these Indians, who seem sad and hopeless in their present living conditions. The Rev. Hector W. Thompson, warden and rector of St. Michael's, says: "Unless I can have them participate in the full life, a healthy body, healthy mind and healthy soul, I feel I have neglected them in some manner." All the changes that are coming into the lives of these Indians offer a real hope in improving their lives and helping them to become assets in rural America's life.

Mrs. Frazier urged that we keep up our contributions to specials, among which is the maintenance of the car for the visiting nurse at St. Michael's Mission, Ethete. Without these specials the whole work of the Church would be sadly curtailed.



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### NEWS FROM THE PARISHES

*Calvary, Germantown*—Some of the  
Juniors recently attended the 4 o'clock  
service at the Cathedral, on January 28.  
The girls were keenly interested and en-  
joyed the service, but suggested that other  
groups, who might want to go, wait until  
warmer weather. At present work meet-  
ings are devoted to making articles sug-  
gested by Miss Krauth, of Calvary Sea-  
side House.

*Incarnation, Drexel Hill*—A card party  
for the Lenten offering took the place of  
the February meeting. This function was  
ably managed by Jean Troxell, at whose  
home it was held. The need for extra  
meetings is felt to be a sign of definite  
forward movement.

*St. Peter's Germantown*—Through a  
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for artificial flowers. This may seem like  
a strange request, but there are very few,  
if any, real flowers growing in the vicini-  
ty of the Mission. The Indian children  
use them to make sprays for funerals, etc.  
The following is from a letter received  
from the Mission in reply to two boxes  
of flowers sent by our Juniors: "The  
flowers are used for funeral bouquets,  
and these bouquets are a connecting link  
between their more pagan ritual of the  
past and the ritual of our Church which  
they one by one are accepting." The  
Girl's Friendly Society of St. Luke's, Ger-  
mantown, have also sent some boxes. Per-  
haps some one else would be able to  
gather flowers from dresses, hats, or  
those used for decorations, if not too  
soiled. They will be appreciated.

MARJORIE HEIM,  
Publicity Chairman.

## GIRLS' FRIENDLY

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Miss Jenkins says, "They read the same  
service and had the same kind of meet-  
ing and little party afterwards that I sup-  
pose all G. F. S. branches have."

Yes, Miss Jenkins, and thank you for  
bringing us back home! St. Timothy's,  
Roxborough, on February 5, had "the  
same service and the same kind of meet-  
ing and little party afterwards," only,  
instead of a forlorn and tiny mission  
house on a desolate desert, St. Timothy's  
eight candidates and twelve members and  
two associates were admitted at the altar  
rail in their beautiful church, with every  
accessory to make the service impressive,  
while mothers and friends filled the pews  
and after the service went to the parish  
house where the candidates gave a little  
play, "God's Children Everywhere." Then  
they had a "little party." Very different,  
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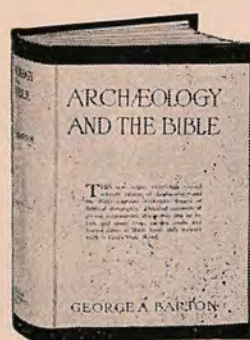
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Aside from the individual passing on of books and magazines to others, the Church Periodical Club furnishes and maintains libraries in schools and institu-

tions and stands ever ready to help clergymen and all workers in the mission fields, both domestic and foreign.

Captain Albert Sayers, of the Church Army, guest speaker at the luncheon following the annual meeting of the C. P. C., gave a graphic account of the Eskimos in Alaska and his work among them.

It is refreshing and encouraging to see and hear a young person so inspired and imbued with the work for the Kingdom of God as is Captain Sayers.

It was a great pleasure to have with us at that time Mrs. Robert P. Frazier, C. P. C. president in the Missionary District of Wyoming, who told us of the work there and of the libraries that are being furnished for the Indians.

Mrs. William Rote, C. P. C. president in the Diocese of Harrisburg, brought greetings from that diocese.

The annual report for the last year exceeded the previous one in nearly every item, due to the interest and energy of the secretaries and the many friends who know "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

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## St. Faith's, Brookline, Observes a Birthday

Three interesting services were held on February 11 in celebration of the seventh anniversary of the establishment of St. Faith's Mission, Brookline. The day was begun with a Corporate Communion at 8 A. M., which was followed by a breakfast in the parish house.

At the 11 o'clock service the speaker was William Bates, who for eight years was a missionary in Africa, in the Lake Victoria region and in Tanganyika.

The Rev. Frederick P. Houghton, D.D., Executive Secretary of the Diocese, preached at the 8 P. M. service, at which the vicar, the Rev. William Powell, presented a brief recital of the mission's history and progress. All the services were well attended.

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# THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT

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to the effort of our informed and interested women. We are happy to undertake, on our own initiative, to raise an additional \$2000 for the general Church missionary work for 1940.

## With Compliments of the Field Secretary

*Holy Trinity, Lansdale*, has a fine group of earnest, auxiliary-minded women. They surprised me by having six members of the newly organized branch from Emmanuel, Quakertown, present. I was thrilled. The officers are alert, energetic women, and I am sure they are going to do things. As a beginning, a few days after this meeting, I received a check from their treasurer, to be divided among the five standing committees. It is this spirit which leads us on.

*St. John the Evangelist, Lansdowne, Juniors*—Perhaps I should not enthuse about my own girls, but we must give credit for work well done. These girls are organized in every department of the senior group, and I have never seen greater enthusiasm and ability. The spiritual grace which shone on their faces as they made their various reports was inspiring. The president, since taking office, is radiant. I had no idea they were carrying on so well. They even have a social service secretary. They have the true Auxiliary spirit of sharing.

*St. Thomas, West Philadelphia*, gave me another grand treat. They are well organized and are carrying on in such an efficient manner. Some of our white branches could learn from them. The evening spent with them did much for me. They are unable to send delegates to all the meetings, and I feel it is parishes like this, as well as some in South Philadelphia, who are busy during the day, even although they are within access of the Church House, should come under the plan we are trying to work out.

## Our Friend, Miss Cady

The Indians' friend and ours, Miss Anne Cady, is living in a house car in Arizona, with one thickness between her and zero weather, using an old school house as a dispensary. Last year she treated 5100 patients and 3000 persons attended the services she conducted.

## A Note of Thanks From the Indian Field

The following letter from the Rev. J. B. DeCory, an Indian priest at Mission, S. D., expresses the gratitude of some of the Indians who received help from here last Christmas. It was addressed to Mrs. Arthur N. Goodfellow, of Chestnut Hill.

My dear Mrs. Goodfellow:

I am writing to you, thanking your Woman's Auxiliary, for you sent us a lot of good stuff in clothing for this Winter coming. We did need them.

I have been working for the last thirty-seven years in Missionary work.

We received all the articles of the list you sent us, also the eight dollars (\$8) in check. We were very glad you helped us out in clothing and we appreciate it.

I have a lot of trouble, many thousand miles from one place to another for the last thirty-seven years. Transferred four times in different places on the Indian reservations; in all the chapels I take care of, the Women's Society are working very nicely to raise money toward the Church. They all don't have much stuff to work with. The last few years have been hard times. They don't have any rains and don't raise anything as grasshoppers are bad.

In all these societies what little money is raised is taken to Neobrara Convocation and our Bishop Roberts takes the money. I suppose you read it in the Church papers.

I already wrote to John Wanamaker thanking him for the articles, because we got two boxes from him with his name on it. I suppose he has showed you the letter I wrote to him.

I received your letter yesterday. Again I am thanking you very much.

May God bless us all doing his work, while we are able.

May God bless you all, Women's Societies. Wishing you a merry Christmas and New Year.

Yours truly,

J. B. DECORY.

## U. T. O. NEWS

Dr. Lewis B. Franklin, treasurer of the National Council, reported on the method of handling the United Thank Offering funds, and told us there was a real increase in the Offering over this same date of the last Triennium, approximately \$70,000. He explained the workings of various forms of liability insurance, and said that if the Government Social Security Act was enlarged to include Church lay workers, our job would be to supplement the Government Pension with a Retiring Allowance. This may be one of the subjects to be considered at our next Triennium.

The National Executive Board has asked that as we present the United Thank Offering of the women of the Church at the Triennial Meeting in Kansas City, Mo., we do it with our hearts full of deep thankfulness for the thirty years of consecrated and beautiful service of our retiring Executive Secretary, Grace Lindley.

## READING GUIDE

Books and Leaflets suggested by the National Board:

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## DR. MOCKRIDGE RESIGNS

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Cowley Fathers (Society of St. John the Evangelist), and at Boston University and the Philadelphia Divinity School, from which he was graduated in 1933. He was ordered deacon in May, 1932, and ordained priest in June, 1933, by Bishop Taitt.

While still a seminarian he served as assistant minister at St. Philip's Church, since merged with St. Mary's, Hamilton Village. After his ordination he became assistant rector of Christ's Church and St. Michael's, Germantown, where he remained until March, 1935, when he became rector of the Church of the Advent, Cape May. He resigned that charge to come to St. James's.

In June, 1933, Fr. Priest married Miss Dagmar M. Gustafson, of Braintree, Mass. She also is a graduate of Boston University. They have a son, David, nine months old.

## ST. ANDREW'S BRO'HOOD IN CORPORATE SERVICE

The annual corporate Communion for men and boys under the auspices of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew was held at 8 A. M. on Washington's Birthday in Holy Trinity Church. The Bishop was the celebrant, assisted by the Rt. Rev. Charles Fiske, D.D., retired Bishop of Central New York. More than 200 attended.

Following the service there was a communion breakfast at the Penn Athletic Club, where Bishop Fiske addressed nearly 150 men and boys. John P. Goheen, president of the Brotherhood, presided.

In past years the Brotherhood alone sponsored the Washington's Birthday service, but this year the Church Club of the Diocese of Pennsylvania and the Diocesan Commissions on Evangelism and the Forward Movement co-operated.

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## IN MEMORIAM

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emeritus. Until his death he was president of the medical board.

At the University he was on the faculty for 41 years as demonstrator of anatomy, then demonstrator of surgery, then clinical professor, and when he retired sixteen years ago he was made professor-emeritus.

He was a member of Zeta Psi Fraternity and the American College of Surgeons, the College of Physicians and several other medical societies, and was a director of the Elmira and Williamsport R. R.

He was a vestryman of the Church of the Ascension, now St. Mary Pro-Cathedral, and was rector's warden there for many years. He was a delegate to the Diocesan Convention from that parish. After he moved to Devon, he became a member of Old St. David's Church, Radnor, where he was buried in the churchyard October 27.

He is survived by one son, Thomas Rundle Neilson, Jr., a granddaughter, Louisa, one brother Lewis, and two sisters, Emma F. Neilson and Mary A. L. Neilson.

### GERTRUDE L. BROWN

It was with deep regret that the Board of Managers learned of the death, on January 14, of Miss Gertrude L. Brown, who for over twelve years had been Housemother at Coles House.

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## EPIPHANY, GTN., SERVES AS CLINIC

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members representing the different organizations and groups of the parish—vestry, guilds, parents, Church School teachers, Church School pupils, and the educational committee of the Cooperating Center. The council is headed by Harold P. Weaver, a member of the Center.

The first thing the Council did was to decide what things needed to be done without delay, and what might be included in a long range program designed to cultivate a strong and healthy parochial growth.

Among the immediately effective plans put into operation were the following:

A committee was named to organize the young men of the parish—those between the ages of 21 and 25. This group already has had several meetings in which an Ushers Guild and a Study Group have been formed.

A plan was worked out to permit young girls to sing with the adult choir at certain Sunday services.

A recreational committee was organized and a badminton set was purchased so that a recreational program could be put into operation at once. David Seeley is chairman of this group.

A Student Council was set up in the Church School. This group already is functioning and has had several meetings with the Church School teachers.

A parents group was formed, its purpose being to bring about closer contact with the Church School and to study Church School problems and child problems from the religious viewpoint. Periodically this group meets with Church School teachers, somewhat in the fashion of Parent-Teacher and Home-School societies in the public schools.

The rector is conducting a general study class for mixed adult groups. Subjects that will receive attention are Christ and His Teachings, the Prayer Book and Its Teachings, the Church and Its Doctrines, The Bible, etc.

A healthy sign so far is the enthusiasm with which the whole congregation is throwing itself into the new plan, which bids fair to do just what it is intended to accomplish—rebuild the parish on a firmer foundation, with its people repudiating passive Christianity for the Church Militant.

## CHOSEN FOR NORWOOD

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ant to the Rev. Louis W. Pitt, now rector of Grace Church there. Mr. Diehl succeeded the Rev. Robert Bakewell-Green, who retired last May after 31 years as rector of St. Stephen's.

Fulfilling a long-felt wish to enter the ministry, Mr. Wilcox retired from business in middle life and studied at DuBose Memorial Church Training School. He was ordered deacon May 24, 1937, by Bishop Taitt, who ordained him a priest February 27, 1938. He is married and has a son who is a Washington correspondent for the *Evening Bulletin*.



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Dr. Russell is a graduate of Oberlin College, the University of Pennsylvania and the Philadelphia Divinity School, and holds a master's degree in rural education from Columbia University.

The institution he has headed since 1929 was founded by his father, the late Rev. James S. Russell, and now has a student body of 1300 and a faculty of sixty. Ambitious young Negroes, mostly from the Southern States, receive academic education in addition to training in vocational lines. Courses are given to young men in farming, animal husbandry, electricity, brick masonry and other trades, while young women study domestic science, millinery and other subjects designed to fit them for useful lives. The school also serves its community through Summer courses, extension courses, farmers' conferences and social service.

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As emphatically as I am able to state it I want to assure those who hold this opinion of the School, and all others, that The Divinity School has no function to express itself, as an institution, on either side of the controversies that, from time to time, may arise to agitate the life of the Church. The function of a theological school is to train men for the ministry by giving them as complete training as possible in the canonical studies required of every man to be ordained in a church as wide as the Episcopal Church. A theological school must, of necessity, present all points of view and cannot be partisan. It has no authority and hence no right to advocate or propagate any particular view representing any particular side in a controversy as being the view of the seminary.

There are certain facts that should be kept in mind. One is the right of academic freedom that grants the members of the faculty, as it does to all faculty members of our universities, the right to free individual expression. Such individual utterances, however, do not necessarily mean that the views expressed are those of the seminary. The professor speaks solely for himself on the sole authority of his individual scholarship and standing in the Church.

Another fact should be kept in mind, at a moment when feelings are sometimes unnecessarily ruffled, that General Convention in appointing the Commission on

the Concordat instructed the commission that the question should be thoroughly debated in the Church so that the commission might have the opportunity to report more intelligently and authoritatively to the next General Convention at which time the Convention will decide what is the mind of the Church on this moot question.

Bishop Manning did The Divinity School the honor of preaching at a service of Evening Prayer on the afternoon of January 8. As one of the chief exponents of the opposition to the proposed Concordat he preached a scholarly and masterful sermon. It is interesting to note that a year ago Doctor Robbins, who is the chief advocate of the Concordat in our Church, delivered the six Bohlen Lectures in Saint Andrew's Collegiate Chapel. While he did not discuss the Concordat he did, however, express views that would lead one to believe that he would favor the proposal.

It may also be interesting to know that at the preaching services which are held in the chapel on Thursdays throughout the year no restrictions are placed on the preachers which might prevent the free expression of their personal views upon any subject which deals with religion or the Church.

Another item of interest is the fact that in the Graduate Department of The Divinity School a majority of those who are studying for degrees are ordained ministers of communions other than our own. Some have been ministers in churches conforming to the Presbyterian Polity. They are all happy to come to The Divinity School for important graduate studies and The Divinity School is equally happy to be able to enrich their theological knowledge.

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ALLEN EVANS,  
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### Dr. Barton's Book Published in Korean

Early in December a Korean version of the Rev. Dr. George A. Barton's book, "Jesus of Nazareth," was published in Seoul, Korea, by the Department of Religious Education of the Korean Methodist Church, and by Christmas more than 500 copies had been sold, it is reported.

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any great project involving high ideals for the betterment of mankind gains with open discussion and with all sorts of proposals that clarify its possibilities. Plans such as those submitted in this competition of students may well play an important part in the eventual accomplishment of idealistic schemes, stirring interest among those who work over the plans as well as those who have the opportunity to see the many ideas expressed in them.

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